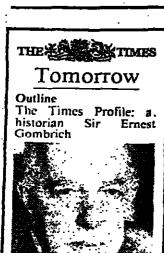
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Robert Nyc looks at W. H. Auden's translations of Norse poems on the Books page. Also Michael Rateliffe reviews The Rise and Fall of the Political Page in Baltician Political Press in Britain. by Stephen Koss

Tories rebel again on rates

Government suffered another revolt when its ratecapping Bill returned to the floor of the Commons for the report stage. Eight Conservative MPs, including Mr Geoffrey Rippon, the former Cabinet minister, voted for an Opposition clause designed to limit the number of government controls over local authority

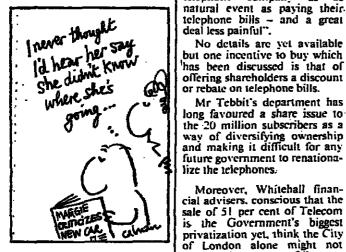
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Visit soured

President Chaim Herzog of Israel arrived in London on a five-day visit to find his embassy scething over reports of a £90m British arms sale to

£50m order

The US shipping line Lykes Brothers has signed a letter of intent with Harland and Wolff Belfast for two container ships worth £50m, with an option for four more. Page 23



Car of future Ford's car of the future which

Mrs Thatcher said should be redesigned was put on public display in London Page 3

Soviet guest Mr Georgy Kornienko, the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, arrived in Britain last night,

the highest-ranking Russian to pay a visit on official business for eight years Page 6

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Zola Budd, the young South African athlete who wants to compete for Britain in the Olympic Games, has her work cut out to qualify against the vasily-improved British women Page 29

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NUM moderates vote to force national meeting

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

The biggest breakthrough in the five-month-old coal miners' dispute came yesterday when union moderates voice in solution of of the National Union of Mineworkof the executive attended yesterday's meeting others sent their apploagies and the moder-

After a week of indecision After a week of indecision ates believe that they can among the once dominant right- muster a 14-10 majority to wing contingent on the union's, nine area leaders met privately at a public house in Leicester-shire to draw up a timetable to development, saying that a halt the growing strike in the pithead ballot was the only way

Last night, they demanded immediate recall of the executive so that a national ballot could be held on pay and pit closures, and in the interim urged that coalfields where 60,000 men have voted to work normally should be freed from flying pickets" and resume output.

A top-level row is certain to follow in the mineworkers' union, whose national officials were in London yesterday defending a High Court action brought by the coal board.

They were caught on the hop by the moderates gathering at the Brant Inn, Groby, which could force Mr Arthur Scargill, leftwing president of the union, and Mr Peter Heathfield, its general sectretary, to call the executive into emergency session.

Hitherto, the two national officials have declined to set in motion the machinery for a pithead ballot on the ground that the areas were divided about what step to take.

But Mr Jack Jones, secretary of the Leicestershire miners, said: "There is now a clear

Share offer

to Telecom

subscribers

By Bill Johnstone

and Jonathan Davis

The Government yesterday

confirmed its commitment to

offer shares to telephone sub-

scribers when British Telecom

No details are yet available

Mr Tebbit's department has

long favoured a share issue to

the 20 million subscribers as

future government to renationa-

Moreover, Whitehall finan-

cial advisers, conscious that the

sale of 51 per cent of Telecom

yesterday that no government

could carry on its business unless it could trust civil

servants to keep classified

To show her consistency, Mrs.

Thatcher recalled that in June

1976 she had spoken in the same sense as leader of the

Opposition when Mr James

allaghan, who was then Prime

Minister, announced an inquiry

documents to themselves.

into a Cabinet leak.

produce the necessary £4bn.

but one incentive to buy which

has been discussed is that of

or rebate on telephone bills.

is privatized this autumn

deal less painful".

lize the telephones.

mandate for a national ballot. We are in a majority and the national executive should re-

take the strike issue to a vote of the men. to end the present bitterness between the union areas and the conflict between groups of union members. The board has not sought to

bring to the attention of the High Court flagrant breaches of

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its injunction against unlawful secondary picketing. A spokes-man said last night: "We shall go back to the court if we judge that it is necessary. We are holding off to allow the union's democratic process to work and at the moment they seem to be working.

The board's optimism was not supported by comments from Mr Heathfield. He said: "I am astonished that the Right have had a caucus meeting in the delicate situation we are facing, I am concerned about developing unity within our ranks and not exploiting differ-ences." He added: "I would not like to speculate on what would be done by a full national

drawn-out dispute to an issue. If they do compel a strike ballot, it will almost certainly be on a double question about whether the miners should accept a 5.2 per cent "final" pay offer and whether they want to strike against coal board plans to shut 20 pits and shed 20,000 jobs.

The vote is unlikely to take place for at least a week, and in the meantime there will be strong pressures within the traditionally moderate coal-fields that have ballotted against striking to resume normal working About 20,000 men in the Midlands and Lancashire now subject to local strike instructions despite having voted against industrial action. would be free to defy pickets from Yorkshire and South Wales.

They are being told "we leave to your conscience to return to work as soon as possible" pending the national pithead ballot in which a 55 per cent majority is required under union rules before an all-out strike may be mounted. The coal board does not

expect the poll to be a "walkover" against stiking. despite the votes for normal working in moderate areas. However, informed union sources last suggested that the overall result would fall short of the required majority.

Areas accounting for about

haif the country's 183,000 miners were represented at yesterday's meeting. They came from Leicestershire, Notting-hamshire, Cumbria, North Wales, Lancasbire, South Der-The moderates are now byshire, the Midlands and its clearly determined to force the associated craftsmen.

Mentally ill Ripper sent to Broadmoor

Peter Suchiffe, the Yorkshire At his trial Satcliffe said he Ripper; was moved vesterday to had heard God's voice telling Broadmoor Hospital from Par-him to kill prostitutes. grave mental illness.

Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, 13 counts of murder and seven made the announcement at the of attempted murder, could Finance Houses Association in nowbe a serious danger to London. He said: "Real public prison staff and others, and ownership is when people required treatment that could regard owning shares in their be given only in hospital, Mr telephone company as as Brittan told MPs in a parlianatural event as paying their. mentary written reply. telephone bills - and a great

He ordered the transfer under an extra five years. the Mental Health Act, after fresh reports from Dr John Hamilton, Broadmoor's mediral director, and Dr Brian Cooper, principal medical adconcluded that Sutcliffe was a paranoid schizophrenic:

Mr Britian said he was satisfied Sutcliffe's mental seriously.

It was said last night that the nedical reports showed that Suicliffe believed he was hearing voices. He had no understanding of his condition and would not accept medical treatment which prisoners could not be compelled to

Thatcher defends secrecy

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

leaked arrival dates of cruise take place are kept within the clear that the author had access missiles said in the Commons circle to whom they are given". to Cabinet minutes which were

Supporting him, Mrs Thatcher said the Conservatives

fully shared his view of the

gravity of the matter. It was

essential that confidentiality of

The 1976 incident concerned

the publication in the magazine

New Society of an article

describing arguments in Cabi-

net about the child benefit

The Prime Minister, com- Commons then that "there strong

case of Miss Sarah Tisdall, who that papers and discussions that

Mr Callaghan told the scheme, about which there were

menting for the first time on the must be absolute confidence Labour ministers.

should be assured.

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

khurst prison suffering from He denied murder but admit-what Mr Leon Brittan, the ted manslaughter on grounds of Home Secretary escribed as diminished Home Secretary, escribed as diminished responsibility. In ave mental illness.

Sutcliffe, sentenced to life the jury rejected his plea that imprisonment in May 1981 on paranoid schizophrenia drove him to commit the offences

Since the trial Sutcliffe has been kept in a single cell in the Parkhurst hospital wing. Last year he suffered face and neck injuries requiring 30 stitches after being attacked by another prisoner. His attacker was given

satisified that stringent security precautions would be taken at Broadmoor. He added that if Sutcliffe's mental health imviser at Parkhurst, which proved he might be returned to prison.

Sutcliffe's wife. Sonia, said: "I feel justified. This has confirmed what I have known condition had deteriorated all the time - that Peter is a sick person, they should have found this out before now."

Sutcliffe's elder sister, Mau-reen, said: "The whole family is delighted at the news. I do not know what his condition is. I have not been able to see him since his conviction, and it is impossible to tell from his

Mr Callaghan said. it. was

Yesterday. Mrs Thatcher said Mr Callaghan was right to order

an investigation and she had

been right in supporting him.

Journalists at The Guardian

in London yesterday con-demned as harsh and punitive

the six-month jail sentence on

Miss Tisdall and said they

would take up a collection of £2,000 to assist her

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accurately quoted.

Departing moment: Police officers leading a picket away from the skirmishes outside the National Coal Board's area headquarters in Doncaster, South Yorkshire, yesterday.

Cool Queen lifts British prestige in Jordan

From Christopher Walker Amman

Unruffled by blanket secur-ty of an intensity rare even by liddle Eastern standards, the Queen coolly fulfilled a punishing programme of official engagements yesterday in a tour which diplomats hope may give Britain greater prominence in efforts to secure a regional

Although prevented by threat of attack from Syrian-backed Palastinian extremists from all but the barest mini-mum of spontantous contact with local Arabs: — many of whom are of Palestinian origin - the dignified conduct of the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh has strengthened time when Jordan - US

relations are at a low ebb. While the royal party were fulfilling their timetable in fastmoving motorarcades with no unscheduled stops. Mr Richard Luce. Minister of State at the Foreign Office was meeting Jordan's foreign minister, Mr Taher Ali-Masri.
A Palestinian born in the

Israeli-occupied town of Nablos, Mr Al-Masri was formerly Ambassador in London before

Photograph, page 8

his promotion in the new Cabinet appointed by King Husain last January. British officials hope that their close connexions with him will help the Government in its bid to secure the £90m missile contract recently scrapped by President Reagan.

The possibilities for Britain's new role were emphasized by the King in an interview with a team from TVam. He called on the Thatcher Government to work in co-ordination with the EEC to reach a comprehensive settlement, adding that Britain could play "an effective role" in the Middle East peace efforts because of its familiarity with

The warmth with which the royal party has been welcomed by an Arab leader regarded by the Israeli government as one of the main obstacles to Middle East peace may cause new problems during the five-day visit to Britain which Israel's president, NJr Chaim Herzog, began yesterday.

The attitude of the Jordanian Government towards Britain's sympathetic stance on the Palestinian issue - featured in a speech by the Queen which referred to their plight as "a Continued on back page, col 7

and Tube services are expected to shut down today in a protest against Government proposals to abolish the Greater London Council and metropolitan county councils next, to implethe problem. ment "rate-capping" and to take over the running of London Transport.

> points-for the main event taking place tomorrow. British Rail is expected to run unable to get to work because of the London Transport shutdown or where passenger overloading causes delays, green Line coaches will also run normaly, although some buses may terminate at the GLC

boundary. London Transport said yesterday that the safest assumption, was that none of its services would run. Scotland Yard said normal parking restrictions would ap-

The Britin Airports Authority was planning to run a special coach service from 6 am until 10 pm. Twelve coaches will travel between Heathrow Airport and Paddington and

Victoria coach stations at

roughly half-hourly intervals. The Automobile Association urged motorists to stagger their inumeys to and from work to avoid the extended rush-hours expected. There were no insurance

problems with car-sharing, so long as the driver did not charge passengers more than a "reasonable share" of the costs, the AA spokesman said. 🤙 The Public Carriage Office

expected a near-normal number

Trade surplus leaps to £819m as exports set record

By Frances Williams. **Economics Correspondent**

rade performance for more than a year last month, as exports soared to record levels.

The surplus on trade in goods of £569m, after a deficit of £339m in January, far surpassed City expectations, lifting the pound on foreign exchange markeis.

After adding in an estimated £250m surplus on trade in invisibles - services such as hanking, insurance and shipping - Britain recorded a balance of payments current account surplus of £819m, the highest since the end of 1982. and an improvement of more sharply since the middle of last deficit in January.

The February figures were helped by higher oil exports and a big jump in exports of soships, aircraft, precious stones and bullion. The two together accounted for more than half the 15 per cent surge in total exports to a new peak of £6.03

The monthly trade figures have seesawed unpredictably in recent months. But the underlying trend suggests that the were only a little higher than in deterioration in Britain's trade the previous three months but account evident since 1981 may have come to a halt.

The surplus on trade in goods in the three months to February

Shutdown

for buses

and Tubes

By Tony Samstag

Almost all of London's bus

The protest is being held 24

hours before a national "day of

action" so that participants will be able to rach London rallying

Britain turned in its best was £600m, compared with a deficit of £300m in the previous

three months. The bulk of the improvement was due to oil, but the deficit on trade in nonoil goods also shrank by £200m to £1.9 billion.

The volume of exports was 7.5 per cent up in the latest three months from three months earlier and 9.5 per cent higher than at the same time last year.

The trade and industry department said vesterday that exports were up across the board and the underlying level vear,

The Government expects exports of goods and services to increase by 5 per cent this year after a meagre 0.5 per cent in called erratic items, including 1983, as world economic recovery gathers steam. The Treasury is predicting a £2 billion current account surplus in 1984, the same as last year.

> imports, however, are also expected to grow rapidly, by 7 per cent this year compared with 5 per cent last. In the latest three months imports overall imports of manufactures were up 5.5 per cent and there was an 11 per cent jump in imports of consumer goods other than cars.

Ministers fail again in **Brussels**

From Ian Murray Brussels

There was total and angry failure in Brussels yesterday when EEC foreign ministers tried to salvage something from the wreck of last week's

National positions, which once seemed so close, have become more entreached than ever. with each delegation announcing that it had with-drawn all concessions. The Commission has been asked to uy to draft fresh proposals for the next meeting in Luxembourg on April 9. Britain is still being held to blame. The British have not withdrawn their concessions". a French spokesman said "because they

never made any". The failure of the meeting meant that the question of freeing Britain's promised £457m rebate from the Community was not even raised. But Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, said afterwards that there were no plans to make an issue of it.

The meeting collapsed be-cause it proved impossible to bridge the gap between the £000m rebate offered by the nine other countries and the £780m Britain insists is its minimum requirement witin a new system. Thus, although everyone round the table did accept that a new system was needed for calculating national contributions, it proved impossible to agree to staring

Sir Geoffrey said the remaining gap was one of 25 per cent -and that was "substantial". He said Britain had already made "formidable and numerous" concessions and it would be difficult to defend or explain to the British people why they should be expected to pay any more to the Community budget when so many other member states were much wealthier.

The mood of the meeting was soured from the start by the matching failure of agriculture ministers, meeting in an adjacent room, to make any progress towards resolving the hish milk problem. Another Farm Council is to be held on Friday to try once again to break this deadlock, but the omens are not

Despite it all, the British delegation remained resignedly optimistic. In the end, they are condemned to succeed, one official said. The British feel their best hope is to sit back and wait for the Community to run out of money. Once that happens, as an official put it, "the others will come to us. We are all together in one room and the only way out is through a door to which we have the key."

But some dangerously harsh words were being spoken as the meeting ended. Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister, was reported as having told the Council: "We have reached the Continued on back page, col 8

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MP's challenge over Oman contract Mr Sedgemore's statement contains 15 "facts", three

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent Mr Brian Sedgemore, Monday, the select committee rejected the MP's complaints and refused to publish his five-page memorandum. Select Labour MP for Hackney South and Shoreditch, last night challenged the Prime Minister to sue him for publishing a statement on her alleged interest in the Cementation ommittee publication would have given the MP's alle-gations the legal protection of parliamentary privilege. But after Mr Sedgemore had contract for a new pniversity in

He told The Times: "There is nothing she can sue me over. The truth is an absolute defence to defamation; it ceases to be libel if it is true."

The statement was initially sent to the Commons Select Committee on Members' Interests, as evidence in support of two complaints made by Mr Sedgemore, a barrister, that the Prime Minister should have declared an interest in the Commons. In a feport released on

at the Commons, he protested to the Speaker, Mr Bernard Weatherill, that non-publi-cation had rendered the report incomprehensible and mean-He told the House that if a select committee showed a party political bias, protecting a colleague by failing to print

distributed copies to journalists

evidence, then the odour of

political corruption would hang heavy in the air."

Sir Geoffrey Finsberg, the



Mr Sedgemore: "Nothing to sue me over"

Conservative MP for Hampstead and Highgate, intervened to defend the select committee for refusing "to publish rubbish the gutter",

"inescapable and irresistable inferences" and a list of suggested witnesses, including s Thatcher and her son, Mark. The Conservative backbench motion supporting the Prime Minister's pursuit of Britain's interest had been signed by another eight MPs according to yesterday's parliamentary papers. They were: Sir Dudley Smith, Mr Tom Normanton, Mr Antony Marlow, Sir Humphrey Atkins, Mr Cecil

Parkinson, Mr George Walden, Mr Piers Merchant, and Mrs Sally Oppenheim.
It was mistakenly reported yesterday that Mr Nicholas Winterton, MP for Macclesfield had not signed. He signed on March 15.

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Minister tries to avert revolt by Tories over political levy

State for Employment, was matter of principle. Nobody trying last night to avert a should be forced to contribute over union members' contri- certainly be pushing it to a butions to political funds.

More than eighty Conservatives have signed a new clause to the Trade Union Bill proposing a statutory right for union members to refuse political levy payments unless they had given written notice that they wished to contribute.

But Mr King, in line with the Conservative manifesto commitment, has reached an agreement with the TUC that the unions should attempt a voluntary scheme "to ensure that individual members are freely and effectively able to decide for themselves whether or not to pay the political levy.

The manifesto also said: "In the event that the trade unions are not willing to take such steps, the Government will be prepared to introduce measures to guarantee the free and effective right of choice."

Mr King was meeting small groups of rebels last night in an

But Mr John Townend, MP for Bridlington, and Mr Vivian

Mr Tom King, Secretary of Mr Townend said: "This is a Conservative backbench revolt unless they went to. I shall

Government's embarrassment would be compounded by the fact that statutory enforce ment of contracting in is supported by the Liberal-Social Democratic Alliance, while Labour would be expected to ioin forces with ministers to

defeat the new clause. Mr Townend said that Mr King had been arguing that he had acted in line with the manifesto, and he had given a warning the statutory contract-ing in could lead to state funding for political parties.

The MP said that the voluntary agreement which Mr King had made with the unions did not "hold water". He said that there was no power to enforce it and he recalled that although rebels has failed to win a Commons vote on secret ballots in the last Parliament. Mr King was now bringing in secret ballots with his new Bill.

Mr Bendall said: "It just attempt to persuade them to happens that we are a few years ahead of the front bench on these matters. He said that the numbers signing the new clause Bendall. MP for Ilford, North. had escalated since the weekend said later that they intended to and they hoped to have a press the issue to a Commons hundred signatures by the end

Tax cut of 9p would restore 1979 level

By Frances Williams Economics Correspondent

A tax cut equivalent to 9p off the basic rate would be needed to restore the tax burden for a couple on average earnings to its 1978-79 level, before the present Government came to office, the Treasury revealed in a parliamentary answer yesterday. The figures take into account the substantial increase in the income tax threshold announced in the Budget.

For poor households, the tax reduction would need to be bigger. To reduce payments in real terms to 1978-79 levels, after adjusting for price rises, a couple on three-quarters average earnings would need an 11.5p cut in income tax, and a coupe on one-and-a-half times average earnings a cut of 7.6p. Smaller reductions would be needed to restore payments to 1978-79 levels as a proportion of carnings: nearly 4p on average earnings, but almost 6p for half the average wage and only 3p for one-and-a-half times

INCOME TAX CUT NEEDED TO RESTORE PAYMENTS TO 1978-79 LEVELS

the average.

l		in real terms			
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75% average average 150% average	6.1 4.3 3.1	5.7 3.7 2.9	4.4 2.5 1.3		
Source: Treasu	my				

When the boss is another union

By David Felton, Labour Correspond

When the bosses, are trade union leaders and union employees who are on strike. life can become tense for those who have to negotiate between the brothers at war.

Such a man is Maurice Tonner, official of the whitecollar union Apex, which organizes about 4,000 full-time staff employed by trade unions. He is trying to unravel the fourweek strike by banking union employees in a redundancy dispute.

Mr Tonner gets involved in many such disputes, as he is ultimately responsible for the terms and conditions of Apex members at about 70 unions. Not all reach the stage of a strike, as has happened at the Banking Insurance and Finance Union, (Bifu), but he says there

have been "many close calls". Negotiating on behalf of his members with a trade union leader can sometimes lead to strains in the unity of purpose encouraged by the movement.

"Occasionally we find that general secretaries can be a little too authoritarian in their approach. We have come to expect that from other employers but we do not expect it from trade union general secretaries." Mr Tonner says.

He refuses to name those unions regarded as poor em-ployers, but he is more forthcoming on good em-ployers, which include the Civil Service unions, the Union of Communications Workers and Nalgo, the union for town hall white-collar staff. Negotiations become Byzantine when he argues for pay increases on behalf of Apex members working for Apex.

One union staff dispute that achieved notoriety in the labour movement in the 1970s involved staff at the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers' headquarters at Peckham in London. Picketing was so successful that Mr Hugh Scanlon, who was then the president, had to climb into the office through a window.

No less embarrassing was the strike 15 months ago by staff at the miners' headquarters, at that time in ondon, soon after Mr Arthur Scargill became president.

There have been several disputes involving the Associ-ation of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs (ASTMS), the union headed by Mr Clive Jenkins. The last official Apex strike before the present Bifu dispute, was at the ASTMS offices in north

"Negotiations with unions can be difficult, but because we understand each other's problems there are some advantages", Mr Tonner says. "For instance, when a union says it has no money to make a pay offer, I can understand their problems of falling membership and income."

Threat to dismiss BBC strikers

striking scenery workers today unless they give an undertaking to return to work, talks between the corporation's management and the Entertainment Trades Alliance, which represents the strikers, continued at the Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas) yesterday (Our Arts Correspondent

BBC officials were hopeful

through in the six-week dispute but insisted that the deadline for a return to work, imposed last week, must stay.

The strike began when the BBC introduced new working schedules for its London scenery making and shifting departments. It has postponed around 40 light entertainment and drama productions.

to make the scenery department more efficient.

But the union has opposed the BBC's attempt to go to arbitration without agreement to restore working practices to their previous formula.

With overtime, the annual wages of those on strike vary from £9,400 for cleaners work ing nights, to £14,000 for scenery painters.

Defence team chosen

The new Labour committee executive committee, are exwhich will be responsible for pected to be finalized today at revising and amending the party's defence policy before the next general election is expected to include several multilatera-

party's 12 new joint policy committees, each taking members from both the parliamentary party and the national

Shadow Cabinet. The committees are part of the new streamlined approach

meetings of the NEC at party headquarters and later on the

membership of the to policy making agreed since 12 new joint policy the election, with a new trees, each taking mem-Shadow Cabinet working closer together to avoid the conflicts

Soldier killed by IRA bomb

A soldier was killed yesterday when the minibus he was driving was ripped apart by a 200lb bomb detonated by Provisional IRA terrorists hiding in fields (Richard Ford writes from Belfast). Sergeant David Ross, aged

31, was killed instantly in the explosion

7.50% 10.71%

7.25% 10.36%

Nationwide Building Society

Announces that the following interest rates will apply from 1 April, 1984

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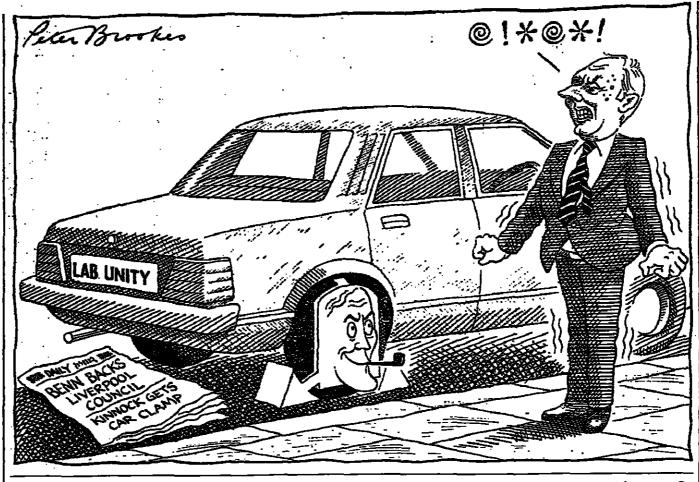
Capital Bonds (21st Issue) 7.75% 11.07% (Minimum £500) The rate of interest on all existing Capital Bonds will be decreased by 1% from 1 April 1984. The guaranteed extra interest paid on all existing Capital Bonds

continues unchanged. **Subscription Share Accounts** (Regular savings)

6.00% 8.57% **Deposit Accounts** Mortgage Accounts - New Advances The mortgage rate on new advances to owner occupiers is now 10.25% for repayment loans and 10.75% for endowment loans.

Mortgage Accounts - Existing Mortgages
The rate of interest charged on all existing mortgages will be decreased by 1% with effect from 1 April 1984.

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rebuff over polygraph

By Peter Hennessy

The introduction of the polygraph, or lie detector, at the Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ) next Monday will be raised this afternoon at the first meeting for five years of the Civil Service National Whitley Coun-

Sir Robert Armstrong, Sec-retary of the Cabinet, who will chair the meeting, may rule it out as a topic for discussion on the ground that the Civil Service unions lost their renresentative rights at the signals tre on March 1.

If he does, the Council of Civil Service Unions team, led by Mr William McCall, of the Institution of Professional Civil Servants, will say that about 160 employees at GCHQ have declined to relinquish their union membership despite the Government's ban.

Union leaders estimate that 50 of them could be liable for a lie detector test in the next 12 months. All staff at GCHQ are vetted and the process is

renewed every five years.

From April I, the polygraph will be used on those staff at Cheltenham undergoing the quinquennial review of their security clearance. It is part of a pilot project designed to stiffen Whitehall's defences against the

The expectation in Whitehall is that security authorities at Cheltenham will carefully avoid using the polygraph on any of the 160 recusants, at least in the near future. Conciliation is one of the priorities of Mr Peter Marychurch, director

Of the 160 union members remaining at GCHQ, about 110 are based at Cheltenham and about 50 in its outstations. The .union breakdown is: Society of Civil and Public

Servants 80; Civil Service Union 50: Institution of Professional Civil Servants 30; Association of Government Supervisors and Radio Officers 30: Civil and Public Services Association 7; and First Division Association 2.

Rate cap Bill 'will fall short'

The rate capping planned by ministers next year will not be severe enough to produce the required savings, Dr John Cunningham the shadow Secretary of State for the Environment, said vesterday (Our Local Government Correspondent

He believed that ministers would have to fix legal ceilings for 90 councils to eliminate supposed overspending of £1,500m by councils throughout

the country.

Ministers have not issued detailed capping plans for next year but they have said they expect to fix rate ceilings for 12 to 20 high-spending authorities. No official list has appeared, but ministers have indicated that the Greater London Council and Basildon District Council are certain to be capped.

The spending plans for the coming year of several London boroughs, the Inner London Education Authority and South Yrokshire County Council mean that they are also probable candidates for capping. All the Highest spenders are Labour-controlled.

Dr Cunningham based his calculation on the £1,500m cut in local council spending set out for next year in the White Paper about public spending published last month. Dr Cunningham said the rates of councils would have to be

Dr Cunningham was speaking at a press conference organized at Westminster by the ocal Government Campaign Unit. a union-backed group which is organizing this week's demonstrations against the Government plans to abolish the six English metropolitan counties and the Greater Lon-don Council.

Union faces | Government may order audit of Liverpool council's books

By David Walker, Social Policy Correspondent

The Government is considering its first direct involvement in Liverpool's financial crisis by ordering a "special audit" of the council's books.

A team of accountants from the Audit Commission for Local Authorities, the quango which oversees councils accounting practices and efficiency, would systematically work through town hall departments to provide a reliable picture of finances.

It is understood that ministers would prefer such relatively uncontroversial action; official advice has consistently been against dispatching the Civil Service commissioners that are provided for under emergency legislation which has been prepared for several years.

until after the likely budget stalemate at tomorrow's council meeting. It is likely, too, that the Government will wait to see what action is proposed by Mr Les Stanford, the Chester-based official auditor from Liverpool, who is employed by the audit

Mr Stanford has given a warning to the Labour majority that the proposed budget plan would result in his applying to a court for an order surcharging and disqualifying councillors. But if no budget is agreed on Thursday, he will face a difficult task in identifying those responsible for the city's financial

Experts say that if no rate is

will experience a big patronage

Captain Brian Walpole, head

of BA's Concorde division who

piloted the aircraft, said: "This

is a milestone in the life of this

unique and superb vehicle. It is

British Airways' endorsement

the long-term future of

from Florida and

America.

But no move will be made 'agreed this week. Mr Michael Reddington, the city treasurer, has enough income from various sources (for example late repayments from 1983-84 and repayment of debts) to keep going for some time. But he might need to borrow money and it is thought that payments of interest on such borrowings would be illegal. Mr Stanford might then use them as the basis for a court action requiring the council to set a rate.

> In Liverpool yesterday, 2,000 dockers agreed at a meeting to the demonstrations planned to putp pressure on wavering Labour councillors. Six have said publicly that they will not vote for their party's

Boundaries redrawn for Europe election

By Our Polititical
Editor
Only three of the 66 English European Assembly constituencies will remain unchanged if... Parliament adopts the proposals of the Boundary Commission, for England, published yester-

The commission's proposals icave unchanged the present constituencies of Hereford and Worcester, London East and London North-east. A minor boundary alteration only, involving no electors, is proposed for the Devon and the Cornwall and Plymouth constituencies.

I wenty-two constituencies are slightly altered or, in the commission's words, retain a substantial part of their present area and electorate. The remaining 39 have been substantially modified.

The commission says that substantial changes were made ineviatable because of the rise in population since the present. boundaries were approved before the European election in 1979, and because of the need. to align existing boundaries with the new parliamentary

constituencies.
Changes in population since 1977, when the constituencies, were all within 10 per cent of the average size, had increased the range to 15 per cent above

and below the average.
The revised boundaries will mean that 61 of the 66 new constituencies will be within 6 per cent of the electoral quota or average of 539,155 (35,584,234 electors divided by

The commissioners were not required to take account of county and London borough boundaries, as they were in their last review of parliamen-

tary constituencies. The paramount consideration was simply the parity of electorates, they say. 1983 Review of European Assembly Constituencies. Stationary Office. £7.65) Tory gains forecast, page 4.

Champagne and caviar as Concorde heads for Miami

By Michael Baily, Transport Editor

British Airways' Concorde trend-setting state, growing very opened a new chapter yesterday fast - especially in high-tech with a 4,900-mile flight to nology industry, and Concorde Miami that began as Londoners sat down to lunch and ended as

Floridans were finishing theirs. The thrice-weekly service will provide a further boost to Concorde's aiready flourishing fortunes by tapping the rich business and leisure market of America's sunshine state whose slogan - "The Future is Now" is peculiarly appropriate to the

occasion. tiations with the Government over support costs." The service flew to Washington, then would help boost BA's Con-supersonically down to Florida, corde profits from around £10m in Concorde's usual Lucullan style: champagne and canapes of caviar and paté de foie gras; fresh salmon mayonnaise, and English lamb with Chateau Gruard Laroche '76 or turbot with a 1980 Mersault.

Among them were Lord Bessborough, aerospace minister in the 1970s when Concorde was getting off the ground; Britain's Ambassador in Washington, Sir Oliver Wright: and the Lieutenant-Governor of Florida, Mr Wayne Mixson. "We are really exited about it" Mr. Mixson said. "We are a

hours off the direct London-Miami service by 747 jumbo at remarkably little extra cost to the rich and famous: £2,509 return by Concorde compared with £2,160 first class by 747.

The cheapest London-Miami scheduled return is £349. From Heathrow at 1pm on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, and Miami at 9.30am on Wednes-day, Friday and Sunday, calling

Sale room

Smart miniatures reach giddy new heights

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

popular eighteenth century portrait miniature painters but never has his work been bid to such giddy heights as at Christie's yesterday. A pair of miniatures of Sir Charles and Lady Helena Oakeley. 24in ovals framed in rose diamonds. sold for £49.680 (estimate £15,000 to £20,000).

Concorde after prolonged nego-Sir Charles was governor of Madras from 1972-94 and tures were painted in 1786 and last year to over £12m this, he are delightful, with subtle colouring and fine condition. The 61/2-hour flight cuts 21/2

They were bought by a private collector from Switzerand with Leggatt the London dealer, as the underbidder.

The auction had attracted all the keenest miniature buyers and the trend in prices was: buovant, Although the serious competition was reserved for the best pieces. A superb John Hoskins miniature of a gentleman, dated 1654 was bid to £17,280 (estimate £6,000 to

John Smart is one of the most Proceeds from the sale of historic music manuscripts and documents, which are being offered at Christie's today by Mr John O'Neill McGlintock. the grandson of the second Lord. O'Neill, are to be put into a special bank account, pending a High Court decision over ownership (the Press Associ-

ation reports).
Mr McGlintock's sister, Mrs Annette Rose Firth, of Cecily married his flighty young bride Hill, Cirencester, Gloucester-

proceeds. She contends that the documents, found by her brother last December at the family home. Redhall, Ballycarry, Carrisfer gus, in Northern Ireland, werepart of their late mother's

·estate. Mr McGlintock denies the allegation and also contests that his sister has an interest in the documents, which include an unpublished Haydn Mass auto-graphed manuscripts by Beetho ven and Mendelssohn, and Rossini.

Restoration iewel set to open

From John Young. Grantham .

Belton House, the latest and by far the costliest jewel in the National Trust's collection, opens its doors to the public on

Described as "the finest Restoration house in Britain, it was acquired last year from Lord Brownlow with the aid of an £8m grant from the National Heritage Memorial Fund, nearly twice as much as it has given for any other purchase.

Yesterday the handsome splendid condition, as journalists and photographers milled along its' treasures. Under wintry skies, crocuses and snowdrops sprouted from the lawns, and avenues of still-leafless trees stood sentinel across the parkland, leading the eye to views of distant follies.

-Belton, near Grantham, Lincolnshire, was built in 1686 and, although long attributed to Sir Christopher Wren, was in fact the work of Winde. The trust, not having to spend large sums on repairs, has been able to buy the lion's share of the contents, including two sets of tapestries which formed part of the original furnishings, and all the family portraits.

Among the house's chief delights are the ornate ceilings characteristic of its period, and the tall canopied beds, one of which was used by Queen Adelaide the widow of William IV, who lived there for a time. Among many rooms never seen by the public before is the

state dining room, with its three

hage canvasses by the seven-

teenth century Dutch painter, Melchior Hondecoeter.

Guarding the treasures of Belton yesterday (Photograph: Brian Harris), The trust has also acquired most of the early eighteenth century furniture, a collection of Reynolds portraits and Dutch and Italian old masters, much Oriental porcelain and eighteenth and nineteenth century silver, and a fine array of leather-bound books in the

It is a lovely house, light, warm and welcoming. Mr Brian Lang, secretary of the heritage fund, said yesterday that the opening marked the coming of age of the fund, established four years ago.

The example of Mentmore

had shown that, if the saving of

great houses were left to

governments, they would prob-

ably be lost, he said. He might have added that it was a letter in The Times from Lord Brownlow's cousin, drawing attention to the impending sale of Belton and dispersal of its contents, that first awoke public attention.

The house will be open from 1 pm to 5.30 pm from Wednesdays to Sundays and on Bank holidays until the end of October, apart from a period between April 24 and May 4 when it will be closed to accommodate Christies' sale of the contents not acquired by the trust. Admission costs £2 for adults, children £1.

The trust said yesterday that it hoped for about 70,000 visitors in the first year.

Thatcher hint of curb on prescribing pill The Prime Minister has dropped another hint that she

favours stricter controls or even a prohibition on doctors prescribing contraceptives to girls under 16 without their parents' consent (Neholas Timmins After being sent letters from three ethnic minority organiza-

Gillick's campaign on the pill. Mrs Margaret Thatcher has said

the Government has every sympathy with the feeling which lie behind the points which have been made": In a letter to Mr Harry Greenway, Conservative MP for Ealing North, she says the correspondence has been passed to Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, who will, I am sure. take it account in reconsidering his department's guidelines".

Supporters of the existing

guidance, which allows doctors in some circumstances to prescribe contraceptives to girls under 16 without their parents consent, are convinced that Mrs Thatcher will find time for a parliamentary debate

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Increasing

doubts over

Intoximeter

breath test

By Rupert Morris

Doubts increased yesterday about the legal machinery surrounding use of the Intoxi-meter 3000 breath-test machine as the manufacturers responded

to allegations in yesterday's Daily Express.

evidential breath tests would be able, for a six-month period

from April 16, to insist on blood

or urine tests. The Court of Appeal decided on the same day

that the Express would publish confidential documents about

Mr Alan Beaven, a barrister

who has specialized in defend-

ing motorists accused of drink

and drive offences, said "It is

outrageous that it should have

taken the disclosure of these

documents to persuade the

Home Office to allow blood

the intoximeter.

Earlier concern prompted the Home Office to announce on Monday that motorists failing

helped childless women to have babies

long ago as 15 years ago, have There have been 19 deliveries of healthy children and one

The women have responded to a new treatment for infertility which restores the levels of a hormone called LHRH in the

The hormone triggers a train of biochemical events ending in ovulation. It is produced by the hypothalamus gland, which also secretes a large family of other substances associated with the hody's sleeping and waking rhythm and other biological

The treatment, carried out by Professor Howard Jacobs at the Middleses Hospital London. and a team working with Dr Ian Robinson of the National Institute for Medical Research. is given when the biological

Legal Affairs Correspondent

by a solicitor yesterday to

challenge a Law Society ban on

Mr Peter Browne, of Avon-

mouth. Bristol, is contesting in

the High Court the Society's

refusal to allow him to advertise

a self-help legal service, in which clients can be guided in

He has won leave to bring the

High Court challenge and he is

now lobbying solicitors and

to cover the first stages.

Mr Browne ran a "self-help"

legal service for nine months

the mo-advertising rule is

unlawful as an unreasonable

forms and writing letters where

The whole question of adver-

tising by solicitors: is under

review as part of the Govern-

ment's proposed reforms on

conveyancing. But Mr Browne

says that advertising in a

Recent steps by the Law

large to justify big legal fees.

restraint of trade.

examined.

"do-ot-vourself" action.

A lighting fund was launched

Fifty women diagnosed as rhythm for LHRH has gone size of the standard music

The infuser contains a tiny

The infuser was developed originally for introducing insu-lin into diabetics in preference to intermittent injections. The only difference between the one used of the fertility hormone

The electronic controller,

for hormone therapy.
Other substances are being tested. One trial is for the hormone is sed into the administration of growth hor-

He said the amount of breath required to provide an Intoximeter sample was tested only once before the machine was put into use, and was never subsequently checked.

However, Dr Paul Williams. marketing director of the manufacturers Lion Laboratories, of Barry, South Glamor-gan accused the Daily Express of "distortion" in its presentation of the case.

He said the newspaper had used only material that supported its own view, had failed to use any police evidence and had used technical data without any attempt to understand its

· The Home Office, which revealed that since the Intoximeter was introduced on May 6, there had been 8,000 to 10,000 evidential breath tests a month in the United Kingdom, said it was satisfied the machines were working satisfactorily.

But the courts may have severe problems over the next

few weeks dealing with motorists accused solely on the evidence of the Intoximeter. Leading article, page 15

the ground to hang the string. (Photograph John Voos). Britain's television rental

Poles apart: Mr John Howland, of Ospringe Kent, using stilts for hop stringing as he has

ione for the past 32 years. But it is a dying skill as most hop farms use poles operated from

shops are to be offered a new model video recorder from Philips, based on Japanese technology in preference to the company's own, The new machines, designed

rental outlets supply more than 40 per cent of the six million on the VHS system developed recorders in British homes and remain by the Japan Victor Company have helped the VHS system to share.

are an attempt by the European control about 72 per cent of the electronics giant to regain some rental and retail trade.

of the video recorder market lost to the Japanese, particularly through the rental market. The While Philips's recorders account for 20 per cent of European video sales, in Britain they have only 4 per cent. The Sony Betamax system has the remainder left after the VHS

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Colleges to profit from work under Joseph law

By Lucy Hodges Education Correspondent

A new law to enable polytechnics and local authority colleges to make money form their own inventions and consultancy work was proposed vesterday by Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science.

There has been considerable discontent because these institutions are not allowed to undertake commercial activities particularly as the Government wishes to see education re-sponding to industry's needs.

Sir Keith told the Commons yesterday that he intended to introduce legislation freeing local authority further edu-cation establishments from this

A new law would enable ploytechnics and colleges to do consultancy work and contraced research, to exploit thier inventions. to take part in research with industry, to do routine testing and to set up advisory services.

Mr Michael Lewis, secretary

of the Committee of Directors of Polytechnics, said the proposed was "very good news" Most polytechnics are not corporate bodies and are subject to the financial regulations of the organizations funding them. the local authorities.

 Sir Keith has been accused of being philistine in asking universities to review funding and shift further towards technology, science and engineering courses.

A letter from Aberdeen

University says lecturers and others are saddened by the undervaluing of humanities and social sciences shown in his request.

Professor George McNicol. Aberdeen's vice-chancellor, has also told the University Grants Committee: "There could be a swing back towards the arts and social sciences as young people try to understand themselves and look for moral, cultural and religious values in a materially orientated society.

Microchip drug infuser

In those cases infertility was not cause by an absence of the hormone but by an unusual pattern of release of the

substance by the gland.
Yesterday Dr Robinson explained that recent research had show that the action of some hormones had been found to be impaired if they were released in an "abnormal" pattern.

The key is not the quantity but the intervals between the times at which the agent is

LHRH is most effective when ecreted into the bloodstream at 90-minute intervals throughout the 24-hour day. In the infer-tility cases which have responded to treatment, the release was only once or twice a

Under the new treatment the bloodstream by a miniature mone to treat childen whose drug infuser, a device about the growth is retarded.

cassette which is strapped to the upper arm for about four or five

plastic syringe, replaced at weekly intervals. The syringe holds the LHRH that is infused slowly by a small motor following a programme on a microchip.

and the one for insulin lies in the microchip.

smaller than a postage stamp, can be chosen for any pattern corresponding to a natural cycle

Solicitor to Snuff sales go up fight ban on after cigarette tax advertising

products have declined, and cigarette manufacturers are cutting back on production capacity. Britain's snuff makers

are boosting production. Sales were up nearly 5 per cent last year, according to the latest returns of the Society of Snuff Grinders, Blenders and Purveyors. A big jump in exports more than offset a marginal decline of barely I per cent in the British market.

Exports account for nearly half the production of Britain's other interested parties in the live snuff manufacturers, two of hope of raising sufficient funds | whose grinding mills are in Sheffield and the other three in Kendal.

The biggest of the snuff before the Law Society said that makers is J. and H. Wilson, a advertising it amounted to "touting". But he contends that subsidiary of the Group. The other Sheffield Imperia! manufacturers, including the other Sheffield-based company Wilson and Co (Sharrow), are still small independent

Under his scheme, clients operations. were given guidance in filling in With British snuff production the case was not sufficiently at 531,000 lbs last year, British snuff takers sniffed away about 270.000 lbs in about 500 blends.

Blends fall into three main categories: plain, the largest sector, mentholated and medicated snuffs; and aromatic snuffs, made with a variety of which is proving the big growth area as more smokers turn to what was once the most elegant

Society allow lawyers to place gravestone advertiseway to take tobacco. One advantage of snuff-is ments in local newspapers, provided that charges are not that unlike other tobacco products it carries no excise

Mrs Thatcher searching for the front in the Ford prototype and (above) a model of the All-Purpose Vehicle.

Thatcher is troubled by

car of the future

Mr Alan Jackson, Ford

There are few modern cars

designer, said part of the design philosophy was that in a

collision the impact should be as friendly as possible.

on which the driver, whatever

his or her height, can see the front, if the front is taken to mean the furthest forward

Another trend in the exhi-

bition to which Mrs Thatcher

raised objection was the use of

greater window areas. Cars would overheat, she said, and become more suitale for grow-

ing tomatoes than travelling in.

exhibition researcher, said yesterday: "In fact the green-

house effect will not be as great

as the Prime Minister fears.

The mouldings are likely to be

polycarbons, not glass, and they could be tinted pink,

orange or even blue".

Miss Frances Mann, the

The car of the future, with

the front which the Prime

Minister complains is invisible.

was the centre of attention at

the Design Centre in Haymarket, Loudon, yesterday when the Drive Forward exhibition

opened to the public.

At a preview on Monday night Mrs Margaret Thatcher told Ford it would have to redesign its Ghia All-Purpose

Vehicle (APV) for her. "I do not like it", she said. "I like to see where the front of the car

The APV's rounded front

end achieves a drag coefficient

of only 0.33, but neither that

not, a 60° windscreen would reconcile Mrs Thatcher. Mr

David Burgess-Wise, of Ford, tried to convince Mrs Thatcher

that she could not really see the

furthest extremities of her

laguar either, but he was forced to admit: "You cannot While sales of other tobacco duty. Health warmings on smuff

unnecessary. Snuff costs from about 70p to £1.60 an ounce with prices showing little of the sharp acceleration seen particularly

containers have also been ruled

with eigarettes. There are signs this year of a substantial increase in snuff sales in Britain, particularly since the Budget tax increases carlier this month on tobacco. which pushed up the price of a pack of 20 cigarettes by 10p. Sales increases of betweeen

and 9 per cent are reported by Mr Vivian Rose, a director of G Smith and Sons, the Londonbased snuff blenders and re-

His company's sales were slightly up last year against the overall trend. He said: "Things like a miners' strike can have a big effect in some areas when workers who take sauff because of job conditions temporarily

"Particularly since the Budget we have had many people deciding to try snuff taking as

UK snuff sales in lbs

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Source: Society of Snuff Grinders,

Boy aged 15 guilty of murder

A boy aged 15 was ordered to be detained during Her Majesty's pleasure after he was convicted at the Central Criminal Court yesterday of the mindless and motiveless" murder of Aaron Lee, aged 8, of Streatham, south London.

The boy was described by psychiatrists as a loner with problems of reasoning who 'fantasized about violence". He spent hours reading stories on itcheraft and watching horror films on television.

The court was told that Aaron Lee was stabbed 20 times with a dagger on waste ground beside the London to Brighton rail line at Streatham last September. Commuters on a passing train saw the incident.

Inquest on gun dealer opens

Mr John Longstaff, the arms dealer, was under investigation by civilian and ministry of defence police when he was found dead with his throat cut onboard a British Airways flight from Frankfurt last week, the West London coroner was told yesterday.

Mr Longstaff, aged 36, of Pudsey, West Yorkshire, had arranged to meet investigating officers at Leeds airport. The inquest was adjourned for three weeks.

Boat carpenter wins £900

Mr Peter Divers, a carpenter, was dismissed after failing to fit special supports in two cabin cruisers with the result that the decks moved when the vessels

Yesterday Mr Divers, aged 36, of Wolverley, Hereford and Worcester, was granted £900 by an industrial tribunal for unfair dismissal by Dawncraft Cruisers, of Stourport-on-Severn. He complained he was not instructed about the supports and was dismissed without warning.

Nest scheme

Artificial bird bests are being built by the Welsh Water Authority as part of a £3m flood defence scheme for Bridgend, South Wales. Nesting pipes are being incorporated into the

"What would I get if I put £10,000 in the money market, Griffin?" an alternative to smoking". including exports



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Government has

to trust

Civil Service

PARLIAMENT March 27 1984

SECRETS ACT

No Government could carry on its

business unless it could trust those

in the Civil Service who had charge

of security documents to keep those

documents to themselves. Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during question time

Office Clerk, imprisoned for six

months for leaking a Government document on cruise missiles to The

Mr Lewis: Would the Prime

Minister agree the time has arrived

Mrs Thatcher: No. I believe sentencing is a matter for the courts.

Mr Cranley Onslow (Woking, C):

Does Mrs Thatcher think any government of this country could

An attempt by a person in the Lord

Chancellor's office to get a proof copy of a *Hansard* report of a

special standing committee taking evidence on a Bill, misfired and led to publication of a full report of the

committee's proceedings being

The matter was raised in the Commons by Mr Merlyn Rees

(Leeds, South, Lab), chairman of the committee, and the Speaker said

that he had inquired into the matter

Mr Rees said that he raised as a

point of order a matter of concern to him, as chairman of the special

committee set up to take evidence

under the Matrimonial and Family

Proceedings Bill.
The matter (he said) gives rise to

a complaint against someone in the Lord Chancellor's Department, as a

result of which, on March 23, Ilansard printers dealing with the report were stopped from dealing

with it by someone in the Lord

relevant that on Thursday, valuable evidence had been given by Lord

Scarman to the committee, and by Sir John Arnold, president of the Family Division, both written and

oral, and both of which were to be

when a letter was given to me this morning, addressed to the clerk,

from Mr Kenneth Morgan, Editor of

the Official Report.
It said: "My attention has been drawn to a half report of the third

sitting of your committee on March

3. This half report was made
available, I understand, as a result

of pressure from the Lord Chancel-

and the full version was not available until today. "As a result of this episode I have

The first I knew of it (he said) was

This was a serious matter. It was

Chancellor's department.

COMMITTEES

(*illardian* newspaper.

(onservative interruption)

the Official Secrets Act were so amended as to leglise the wilful betrayal of trust? Any civil servant of any grade

who supposes himself or herself to be the victim of a conflict of loyalties should either ask to be transferred to non-seeming work or resign from the service. (Conserva-

tive cheers). Mrs Thatcher: I agree with him, I exchanges in the Commons.

She was responding to one of a note that when the matter came up during the lifetime of the last number of questions concerning Miss Sarah Tisdall, the Foreign government, during June 1976, the then Prime Minister said: "There must be absolute confidence that papers and discussions that take place are kept within the circle to vhom they are given."

Mr Terence Lewis (Worsely, Lab) hegan the exchanges, by saying: The savage sentence meted out to Miss Fisdall contrasts sharply with the establishment cover-up (Loud "The then Leader of the Opposition said "We fully share his view about the gravity of the matter.
It is essential that the confidentiality documents should be ensured." He was right and I was right in supporting him. (Conservative cheers). The Speaker (Mr Bernard Weatherill): He must be aware that this case

Mr David Winnick (Walsall North, Labr. How can she justify imprison-ment under Section 2 of the Official when sentencing policy ought to be reviewed in view of cases that affect national security as against those Secrets Act which was described by the present Home Secretary (Mr Leon Brittan) six years ago as indefensible?

Mrs Thatcher: The Franks report on the Official Secrets act was published in 1972. A Labour Government held office from 1974 We are in certain cases, proposing next year to introduce the right to appeal against sentences but it would not apply to the particular case. It would only be where it was to 1979 and did not over five years introduce legislation. They could thought that the sentence was unduly low and would be guidance

have done so but they did not. In 1979 we introduced legislation which did not find favour in the House. We have no intention of introducing further legislation at

evidence. Government departments

had to be told that they did not control Hansard. Hansard was

responsible to the House and to no

Sir Patrick Mayhew, Solicitor

General, said that he had made inquiries into what had happened.

there was disparity on a particular

issue between what the President of

the Family Division had said and a

speech by the Lord Chancellor. Th

president had already undertaken to submit a further written memo

andum. So that the matter could be

dealt with in that memorandum, he

had asked that a copy of Thursday's

Hansard be obtained as soon as

obtain proof copies from the

l am sorty (he said) that this initiative of mine, taken solely in the interest of putting the fullest information before the committee at

its final meeting, led to a delay in Hansard appearing.

The Speaker (Mr Bernard Weatherill): The House will accept

the explanation. I have looked into

subcontractors.

The printers undertook to try to

The committee had been told that

'Hansard' forced to

do things by half

disas!cr.`



Lewis: Savage sentence and cover-up.

Mr Edward Leigh (Gainsborough and Horncastle, C): Is she aware of the internal CND document on cruise which instructs members to render the deployment of cruise missiles militarily useless by informing the world, including our enemies, exactly where they are

This confirms the impression of many Conservatives MPs that Lenin's willing dupes in the CND are now doing the CND's dirty work for them. Mrs Thatcher: That is correct. They

are making a fundamental attack of the defence, security and liberty of our country, including liberties enabling them to have freedom of

Mr Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed L): The country would be far better governed if a Freedom of Information Act could protect those areas which ought to be in the public decrease and leave the law to protect. domain and leave the law to protect ewer secrets. Mrs Thatcher: There are certain matters which it is vital to keep confidential, both for security and

commercial reasons.

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Rates Bill, com-pletion of remaining stages. Lords (2.30): Debate on White Paper on

Lyceum Club sold to **Post Office**

LIVERPOOL

publication of standing committee reports only from my office. To proceed otherwise is a recipe for The Government has sold the Lyceum Club, Liverpool, to the Post Office for £320,000, Mr Patrick Mr Rees continued: I simply say Jenkin, Secretary of State for the that it is not easy for a printer, whom I believe is a subcontractor, Environment, said in a Commons written answer. The contract of sale these days, is he gets a call from the Lord Chancellor's office. You never included, he said, conditions requiring that the principal historic and architectural features of the building should be restored and

know who is talking.
In our sitting, there was a conflict
between what the Lord Chancellor
said in the House of Lords and what preserved. He added: The Post Office have indicated that they will incorporate these features in a scheme of the President of the Family Division said to us on Thursday. rehabilitation and conversion in-volving a variety of uses connected with their operations, including a Branch Post Office and philatelic He was concerned that someon from the Lord Chancellor's Office had got on direct to the printer, and not through Hansard. This was a new committee which depended on

retail centre. I am pleased that this important, historic Liverpool landmark has found a new owner, and will soon have a new lease of life which will allow the public the fullest opportunity of enjoying and appreciating its outstanding qual-

ities.
Built in 1801-2 to designs by Thomas Harrison the neo-classical building, home of the first public lending library, is listed Grade IL It 1980 to save it from redevelopment proposals involving its demolition. The Post Office intends to restore and convert it to a variety of uses.

Veterans going to Normandy

Mr John Standley, Minister of State for the Armed Forces, said in a Commons written reply that he expected to be able to indicate shortly whether his department would be able to offer assistance to Second World War veterans planning to go to Normandy for the fortieth anniversary celebrations of the D Day lendings. the D Day landings.

He understood that several

thousand veterans had made

contracting out PM's QUESTIONS

Authorities

too slow in

Unly 23 contracts involving the privatization of local authority services had been completed. Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during commons questions.

Although they resulted in annual savings of £7m she said the progress in privatization had been disap-

East, C), who raised the issue, had asked if she was satisfied with the progress being made by local authorities to privatize services. Mrs Thatcher: No. I am still dissatisfied with the progress which local authorities are making in seeking greater value for money by putting their services to the test of

competition,
We are continuing to study what
measures can be taken to speed up the process.

Mr Atkinson: There is ample evidence from those Conservative councils that have had the guts and visions to put out their services to private enterprise that this is the most positive form of capping rates. Will she consider introducing legislation which will oblige all local authorities to compare costs of existing services with those provided by tender by the private

Mirs Thatcher: I agree there are great oppportunities in reducing expenditure by submitting contracts to private competition. So far progress has been disappointing.

I hope we can be much more successful in persuading local authorities to go out to private competition. I shall be reluctant to commit us to legislation because it would be a very technical measure to put before the House.

Howe under the same instructions

Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, explained in the Commons that Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, was under the same instructions as she imposed upon herself in negotiations over Britain's contributions to the European Community.

Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, had raised during question time Sir Geoffrey Howe's visit to Brussels for the meeting of EEC foreign ministers.

In his negotiations (asked Mr Kinnock) is the Foreign Secretary under instructions to ensure that any agreement he makes will contain a provision for rebates to the UK that are sufficient to offset the additional £675m in contri-butions which would arise if our go up from 1 per cent to 1.4 per cent?

Mrs Thatcher: He is instructed, if i may use . . . (prolonged laughter). He is under the same instructions as I imposed upon myself.

Police doing superb job over pickets

The police were doing a superb job enabling miners to go through to their place of work, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said

Answering a question by Mr David Ashby (North West Leicestershire, C) on picketing, Mrs Thatcher said: We are totally and utterly against intimidation of people who are trying to go about their law abiding business.

Minister unmoved by Conservative demands to amend Rates Bill

RATE CAPPING

The local authority associations remained united in their total opposition to the Rates Bill. Dr ha Cunningham, chief Opposition spokesman on the environment (Copland, Lab), said in opening in the Commons the report stage of the Bill which empowers the Government to limit the rates made and precepts issued by local authorities. Moving a new clause he said its

purpose was to prevent the Government having three different systems or amounts of money under which it could control the budgets of local authorities which might be designated under the Bill's pro-Mr David Atkinson, (Bournemouth, visions. The new clause sought to ensure that the highest of the three figures should be used for all

It was important to try to find out what was in the Government's thinking for the future about the fact that it intended to use three different spending norms for individual authorities.

It was ourstionable whether a government should set a norm for local authority at all and doubtful whether two norms was sensible or practicable. To have three different norms was surely stupid in the extreme. Yet that would be the situation if this Bill went ahead in its present form.

The local authority associations

also remained united in their oppositions to the Government's intention that grant-related expendi-ture should be the central test on which it based its decisions to apply the measures contained in the Such a test was rejected by both Environment in this administration. The present Secretay for State has reneged on persistent and numerous assurances to the House and local government on that key issue and

The new clause also dealt with expenditure guidance issued by the Secretary of State using his powers under the Local Government Finance Act 1982. This expenditure guidance had been enforced by massive grant penalties and was clearly central government's view of how much a local authority should

be spending.

The Government had not only consistently reduced the resources available to councils but also confused and unsettled local government to the point where the working relationship between cen-tral and local government was worse than at any time in living memory. The Government, in seeking to

impose its will centrally on local government, was not concerned about the level of services but with its overwhelming desire to cut local government expenditure for the sake of cutting it.

The Opposition did not dissent from the Secretary of State's objective in seeking greater efficiency and improved performance of the seeking greater of the seek ance from local authorities, but this was not the way to achieve it. The Government was forcing indiscrimi-nate cuts on those people entrusted with the responsibility of providing services as important as education. the police, fire services and services to the elderly and the chronically sick and disabled

The Government's policies were undermining the vital services, and causing further disadvantage in urban areas and inner cities and particularly to black and ethnic minorities.

This Bill concentrates government were not being disagreeable (he ment power to an unparalleled extent since local authorities were pointed. This Bill in not going to majority. 108.

This was not an improvement in created. It alters seriously the whole efficiency but a widening of the gap between the haves and the have

The use of the powers in the Bill to control the budgets of a small number of authorities was unlikely to produce any significant net savings to the Treasury in terms of public expenditure.

The new clause would prevent ministers having three different ways by which to tax local authorities' performance.

Mr Geoffrey Rippon (Hexham. C) said this attempt to determine in Whitehall the needs of every local authority would not work. It was just as hopeless as when, during the last war, an attempt had been made to introduce ligislation to measure rhubarb leaves and the translucency of cegs (laughter).

This Bill (he said) will neither

work efficiently nor work with justice. Nor will it contribute one iota to the general good of the country as a whole.

Public spending was running at about £126bn a year. On the best estimates of the Government itself.



Prentice: Listen to mass of expert opinion.

the rate capping provisions would save £300m out of £12bn in expenditure. But even that was

Acts of Parliament which were basically unworkable and so confused that hardly anybody could understand them would not produce a more efficient or cheaper system of government. The new clause at least tried to bring a measure of clarity to the situation.

If Parliament (he said) is to give to the Secretary of State such sweeping powers as are now envisaged to pick on one authority or another we should define those powers with much greater clarity. Nobody objects to the limitation of the rate burden or, where

appropriate, to a reduction in the total percentage of Government grant, or to measures which bring greater efficiency or bring pressure on local authorities which are spending unwisely. But to make general, sweeping observations that such a Bill as this will make some dramatic reduction in public expenditure is absurd.

The only way to deal with the sort of problems they were discussing today was to have a thorough restructuring of local government

finance.
Indeed (he continued) one of my objections to the Bill is that it dodges the whole issue of local government finance and the real necessity to reduce the rate burden on domestic and non-domestic ratepayers.

relationship between central and local government. What we are Mr Chris Sn considering in the light of the Government's White Paper is the so called doctrine of the unitary state and the principles of parliamentary

supremacy.

He hoped that before Conservative MPs supported this measure they would bear in mind that they would be doing so contrary to every precept of the rule of law for which the Conservative Party had ever

Mr John Cartwright (Woolwich, SDP) said he supported the new clause because it reminded MPs that the Bill had not appeared out of a

vacuum. The general view in the com-mittee which considered the Bill was that the grant-related expenditure system was rough justice, but the only system available based on a

local authority's need to spend. Given its past record (he added) i understand why the Government needs a belt and braces. But to need belt braces and a stout piece of

string is going a bit far.

The new clause would go a long way towards simplifying the system

Mr Reginald Prentice (Dayontry, C) said the Bill was had and would not become an acceptable by any

The Government should listen to the mass of expert criticism, particularly from Conservative

He hoped that the Government would be encouraged to make minimum use of the powers. Any use of those powers was potentially damaging because it opened a new chapter in the relationship between central and local government, For many years, governments of all parties had had powers in that direction but had relied on persuasion, using carrot and stick

apparatus.
To take the new step of laying down maximum expenditure of local authorities changed the constitutional relationship. If those powers were pursued widely and used more and more every year, it would be the beginning of the end to local democracy.

He supported the new clause because the unamended Bill would be the beginning of the end for local

Mr Authory Beaumont-Dark (Birmingham. Selly Oak, C) who said he supported the new clause and would be voting against the Bill, said the way it was decided how much local authorities should get was so unjust and so easy for some to comply with and so difficult for others that there was no sense of natural justice. How is it (he said) that we have

sublimely to lie back and say this country cannot find a better way for local taxation to be raised? This is the only country that needs these draconian powers and we are the cradle of democracy. Disraeli said that centralism was

the death blow of freedom. And so it is. We cannot expect local authorities to play the game if we do not play the game with them. The present system was a Russian

roulette and determined that the needs of old people in Bournemouth were the same as those in Aston in Birmingham. This led to iniquities and a sense of unfairness.

save expenditure and it is not even

Mr Chris Smith (Islington South and Finsbury. (ab) said every single borough in inner London, whether Labour of Conservative was spending to per cent above its grant related assessment figure for social services. It could not possibly be that every authority was wrong and the Department of Environment was right.

Mr Patrick Cormack (South Staffordshire, C) said this was bad law in the making. It flew directly in the face of Tory tradition and

One of his most unhappy recent experiences was to talk with the elected councillors of South Staffordshire. Tories almost to a man and woman. He had never seen: them more sadly united against the Government and its approach to

local government.
This was a classic case of exciting. expectations that could not be fulfilled. People thought that something was being done about the rates. In fact the central issue of the rates was being fudged.

Any true Tory who considered himself to be a member of the party of Disraeli, who was against too much government interference and, for the freedom of individual and the balance of the relationship between central and local government. ment must pause and say: "is this mass of technical nonsense which is going to save at the very most a tiny ... sum, worth supporting or is it to be

Sir George Young, Under Secretary, of State for the Environment, said grant related expenditure (GRE) was a yardstick for use in the distribution by Government of the block grant. It had always been accepted that these were not

expenditure targets.

The purpose of the individual targets was to achieve the reduction in the level of local authority expenditure which the Secretary of State thought necessary having regard to general economic con

Substituting the higher of target or GRE would have a significant effect on the block grant. It would significantly reduce rates of authby increasing their grants.

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The effect of the new clause. would be to give more money to the extravagant authorities and, as a consequence, less money to those who had been more responsible.

Effectively expenditure levels set under the Rates Bill could not be exceeded by local authorities. Precisely because these levels could not be exceeded the Government had provided in the Bill for a redetermination procedure which allowed the Secretary of State to take into account the particular circumstances of individual local

Mr Jack Straw, an Opposition spokesman on the environment (Blackburn, Lab), said if 20 or so authorities were rate capped their services would suffer badly but-assome Conservative MPs had said, for all that suffering the Government would still not get its savings.
There was no way in which the

Government could achieve the savings postulated in the White Paper by making cuts in the hit list,

Right to buy

An Opposition proposal might result in almost all one or two apartment houses in Scotland being excluded from the right to buy. Lord Gray of Contin, Minister of State, Scottish Office, said during the committee stage of the Tenants' Rights, Etc (Scotland) Amendment Bill in the House of Lords.

A new clause moved by Lord.

A new clause, moved by Lord Ross of Marnock (Lab) sought to prevent the sale of council houses which the local authority usually let

to elderly people. The new clause was rejected by

Study into provision of oxygen equipment

Asked to encourage and support British companies to develop and expand the production and use of British-designed oxygen equipment, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said in a written reply in the Commons: A number of companies already sell oxygen concentrators in this country, some of which are manufactured in the United Kingdom.

State for Health, has recently commissioned from the accountants. Arthur Andersen and Com-pany, a study of the arrangements for the supply of domiciliary oxygen. We will decide in the light of the results of the study the extent to which oxygen concentrators should replace the existing arrange-ments for the provision of existing

therapy to domiciliary patients.

Digitalization :

Mr Kenneth Baker, Minister for Information Technology, in a Commons written reply, said: BT aim, under their accelerated programme of digitalization, to bave two million digital exchange lines in service by 1986, double their original target.

This will include 30 trunk units and 1,200 System X local exchanges. They intend to have completed the full digitalization of the trunk network by the end of the decade.

directed the printers under no the matter to ensure that nothing of circumstances to repeat this exercise the kind happens again. Single parents criticize divorce reform proposals

reform proposals were widely next month. criticized by three separate In written evidence. Gingerpressure groups, representing single parents and women, bread said the Bill concentrated on the battle of the sexes which appeared before a special between former husbands and wives. The real issue is not Commons committee yesterbetween men and women, it is Gingerbread, a national asabout children and the balance sociation of one-parent families with about 13,000 members, said the "whole focus" of the Matrimonial and Familiy Proof financial responsibility between the custodial and non-

custodial parent." The presure group said the Bill failed to give proper protection to one-parent familccedings Bill was wrong. Together with the National Council for One Parent Families and Rights of Women, it condemned the proposed changes on maintenance law ies and that many would face a cut in income because of the new maintenance proposals. It criticized the failure to give and the effect those would have real priority to children and said on children of divorced couples. the added emphasis being The Bill, introduced by the placed on the conduct of parties

during marriage would lead to bitterness and hardship for the families involved. The whole idea of the level of maintenance being affected by the conduct of the parties conflicts with principle of putting the children first. If it is the custodial parent who is deemed to have been 'at fault' which principle - children first or misconduct punished? - is to

The Government's divorce is examined line by line by MPs Gingerbread said: "It is imposseform proposals were widely next month. Gingerbread said: "It is impossible to separate the living standard of the children from that of the caring parent. If the parent is forced to live in selfsufficient poverty, it is the children who will be forced to

suffer, too." The National Council for One Parent Families said muchneeded impovements in matrimonial legislation and procedure were needed in order to achieve child-centred divorce. "Our concern about the Bill is that, although it purports to put children first, in reality it

The council said the Bill's two main aims - the primary importance of children and restriction of some maintenance rights of women - were in conflict In the most outspoken attack on the Bill, Rights of Women

said the proposals on mainten-

could achieve the reverse."

ance reform were a pernicious irrelevance. The most objectionable assumptions are the implicit labelling of women who receive maintenance as 'alimony drones' and the insulting proposition that women treat mar-Miss Robbi Robson for riage as a 'meal ticket."

Tories 'will win 58 Euro seats

win 58 of the 78 seats in Britain in the European elections in June if the nation votes as it did at the general election last year, it was predicted yesterday (our Political Reporter writes). For a 43.5 per cent share of

the votes it would get a 74.4 share of the seats, further exaggerating the distortion in the general election results. according to a study by Mr Michael Steed, of Mancheter University, released by the Campaign for Fair Votes. Mr Steed predicts that the

Conservatives would be given an even greater advantage of seats over votes than they have at Westminster. For a 28.3 per cent share of the votes the Labour Party would win 24.4 per cent of 19 seats, while for a 26.1 per cent of the votes the Liberal SDP Alliance would win only one seat.

the campaign announced that it had collected 600,000 signatures for a national petition calling for a referendum on pro-portional representation. Mr Roy Jenkins, former leader of the Social Democrats and the campaign chairman,

said that it was receiving a

positive response

The forecast was published as



Henry Moore at St Paul's for the installation of his sculpture (right).

St Paul's gets Moore statue

Mr Henry Moore, the sculptor, confined to a wheelchair by illness, visited St Paul's Cathedral yesterday to see his statue "Mother and Child" installed in the North Choir Aisle Mr Moore, aged 85, had

to the Cathedral as a gift. It represents the Virgin and He travelled from his home in Hertfordshire to be present at the installation and after-wards declared himself "very

presented the seven foot high, two-too white marble sculpture

The Dean of St Paul's, Dr

British cathedrals. "We have been very backwhere Italian masons who have worked with Mr Moore for

Mother and child is one of

Climbing warnings may stop

By Ronald Faux
A warning service which
alerts hill walkers and climbers
in the Lake District of severe weather may be abandoned for safety reasons.

Mr Joe Boothroyd, chairman of the Lake District Mountain Accident Association, said that far from staying away from the hills when a warning had been issued, some enthusiasts regarded the danger as a challenge and deliberately set out when they had been told conditions were bad.

"It has reached a point where the National Park wardens who. have been giving out warnings this winter now wonder whether they are counter-productive. Mr Boothroyd said.

The weekend after accidents in which three people died 200 three were injured, there was a-rush of people to the area, "I do not believe they were being goulish, they were simply wanting to pit themselves against that mountain in dangerous conditions. They seem to believe it will not

happen to them", he said. Last year, was the worste on record for mountain accidents in the Lake District. The association's report, published yesterday, said 21 people had been killed and 128 injured in the association of the later than 128 injured in the association. the area. The 15 volunteer rescue teams tackled 182 incidenis. 35 more than the

Helicopters and mountain rescue teams were searching fil the Cairngorm mountains yesterday for Mr Eamonn McCarol. aged 22, a student from Glasgow, missing since the weekend. Less than thire months ago, he fell 700ft down Ben News Ben Nevis and escaped with

previous highest total.

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£2m research cuts By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

cuts of £2m next year among its There are 60 groups entirely funded by the council, and they will not receive the usual increases next year to take account of inflation. In ad-

The Medical Research Coun- buy new equipment, but direccil has decided how to distribute to of those units will be free to freeze staff vacancies to release funds to support their general The council also supports

more than 1,400 project grants in universities. Some savings will be made by cuting back on the increases which are usually dition, their budgets for recurrent expenses will be reduced.

There will be little money to for some years to persuade him to create a sculpture for a cathedral, because there are few great twentieth century sculptures in

ward in this country in enabling artists to give of their art". Dr Webster said. "Today the religious spirit needs the artists to be strong in a world where we are tempted to materialism."

The last great work of art given to St Paul's was Holman Hunt's painting "The Light of the World" in the last century. For Mr Moore, yesterday

After a meeting with the

cathedral's davisers and craftsmen he worked through much of the night and for several days to make his first maquette. The model went to Tuscany,

years, carved the work in travertine marble. It was brought to Britain late last year and he supervised the final

the favourite recurring themes in Mr Moore's work.

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Mental health care: 3

Doctor protests over cost of hospital cash cuts

debate over the closure and rundown of mental hospitals which have aroused anxiety over the policy of community care for the mentally ill.

It is among six London hospitals which are the first of 30 expected to be gradually closed by the Government over the next 10 years.

Fifteen years ago the impressive Victorian building housed 2,000 patients. That has been cut to 800, and last July the North-cast Thames Regional Health Authority, announce that beds would be cut to 200 by

Psychiatrists at Friern, including Dr Patrick Campbell, a consultant. have unusually "gone public" in their protest.
"My fear is that many of those already discharged have disappeared on to the streets, or live in appalling squalor because of community neglect. Now the hard rump are to go, and I cannot see any will to prevent the same thing happening to them,

As Friem runs down, the £12m annual running cost will be transferred to the district health authorities. Bloomsbury. Islington, Haringey, and Hamp-stead, and the social services departments within its catchment area.

Dr Campbell believes it will cost three times as much to provide high-care homes for the Priem Consultant points to the

Friern. He claims that the health authority is basing its assessment of needs on the average incidence of mentally ill

The closure of up to one third of Britain's mental hospitals will, Britain's mental hospitals will, in the eyes of many pro-lessionals, simply add to the burden of caring for former patients which the community has already shown itself unwill-ing to bear. COLIN HUGHES concludes a series by looking at the debate surrounding the rundown of one London hospital out of six scheduled for closure.

people in Britain, when London's rate is three times higher because so many vagrants drift in to the capital.

"Awful though it is, this place does provide some protection against the deficiencies of the service outside." he says.

In practice the transfer of responsibility is being frustrated by friction between the multiplied responsible authorities. Professional rivalries and buckpassing are being built into a service that demands cooperation, according to Dr John McArthy, a Richmond Fellowship officer for hostel provision. who has been trying in vain to persuade the authorities to invovle voluntary groups in providing new homes.

disturbed patients at present three-year waiting list going to get worse.

"At current rates of developing community care it will take 40 years to provide for the people who have already discharged. never mind those who are supposed to go over the next

The regional health authority's answer is double fund-ing. Friern will continue to receive resources to extend its halfway house rehabilitation centre, reputedly among the world's best, and to maintain its other services while equivalent funds are passed over to the district and local authorities. "Its planned chaos," Mrs

Pamela Jenkinson, an adviser on Friero and other closures to the National Schizophrenia Fellowship, says. "The Govern-ment sees this as a perfect opportunity to save money. They are using the goodwill over community care to implement cuts.

Other Friern defenders, such as consultant Dr Julian Leff, insist on maintaining optimism. "This has to be seen as a large scale experiment which has been going on for many years with some degree of success." If facilities are not provided then doctors should refuse to release them, but the principle must not be sacrificed.

Dr Campbell remains scepti-"The history of mental health as been a series of scandals. The last was over-crowding and poor conditions. This is the next one, and it's.

Price cuts in petrol may offset **Budget rise**

By David Young Energy Corresponden

Petrol price increases caused by the Budget could be wiped out by a new wave of price cuts. Esso has given financial support to dealers in the Northwest. Bristol and South Wales allowing cuts at the pumps of 3p

The Budget increased petrol prices by 5p a gallon five weeks after Esso cut prices nationally by 4p. Pump prices now average 184.1p for four-star.

Esso's initiative has reduced the price at selected sites to 181p and the other companies are preparing to match those prices as well as introducing promotion campaigns.

Esso has renewed dealer support because supermarket chains are marketing petrol aggressively.

Smaller independent marketing companies have bought petrol on the Rotterdam spot market at around \$282 a tonne. At that price profit can still be made at a pump price of 180p.

BP Oil, which yesterday announced profits on last year's petrol and oil sales of £53m, compared with a £39m loss in 1982. launches a £2m promotion today offering prizes of between 50p and £20,000.

The campaign comes after Shell's "Make Money" cam-paign which has increased sales to see that day. Under their at its filling stations by an estimated 20 per cent.

Realities of El Salvador's election

How voters were left in the dark

"Whoever wins will have to adjust himself to the realities of El Salvador's social, political and military realities," re-marked Lieutenant-Colonel Domingo Monterrosa as we sat at dinner in a restaurant opposite his barracks in the provincial capital of San Miguel on the eve of Sunday's presidential elections.

We are and talked in darkness because the guerrillas had sabotaged the town's electricity supplies. Then suddenly the lights came on again and soon lorry-loads of the colonel's troops drove past, cheering their success in restoring the power supply so promptly. They were barely out of sight when the lights went out The colonel seemed pleased with his latest offensive which,

Front runner: Senor Duarte (left) claiming a win with his

many of the mines planted by guerrillas to keep transport of the roads during the elections were dummies. None the less. the only traffic we saw on the road throughout the day was either Army or press. At ever crossroads large groups of people waited in vain for a bus or a long to carry them to the

guns we stepped from our car to As we drove north towards the rebel stronghold of northern "We are mining the road," the guerrillas said. "But we have not done so yet, so you may go Morazan we found small groups of peasants walking to the polling stations. But for many ahead. Be careful on your way others the journey was either The colonel had told us that

urns. But nothing was moving.

too far or too dangerous. Where towns were full of

running-mate, Señor Rodolfo Castillo Claramount. soldiers, we saw long queues of voters waiting to cast their votes. There was also much confusion. The complex, computerized polling system was

> per cent is illiterate. Many had queued for hours to find that their names and identity numbers were not on

just too much for the Salvadorean country folk, of whom 17

the list. They wandered off forlornly to another polling station. It was mid-afternoon before in vigilators began to abandon the system to scribble names on the back of the neat computer print-outs. The £1m computer donated

blown up so we grove through the river entering the town of Meangera, crumbling and abandoned with not even a dog in sight. Walking ahead of the car

to be doing more to undermane

the elections than the modest muscle flexing we had seen

from the rebels.

At Osicala, on the edge of

"bandit country", we bumped into Mr Thomas Pickering, the American Amassador, who declared himself pleased with

what he was seeing people walking miles and waiting

patiently to exercise their democratic right. "Can you imagine people doing this in California?" he asked.

We pushed on, across the Torola river into northern

in search of mines we eventu-ally ran into another guerrilla road block. No, the guerillas sato, we could not go further to talk to people in towns above us which

the hallot boxes could not

reach.
In late afternoon, the square in front of the cathedral at San Vicente was packed. The voting was obviously very lively. The military band struck up a tune. It took a few moments to recognise the strains of the Douth March. We heard women crying as the first coffin was borne shoulder-high up the cathedral steps. We had cathedral steps. We had stumbled upon the funeral of a group of young soldiers killed in

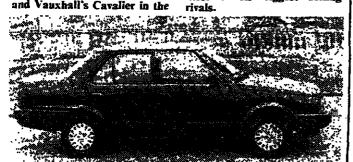
an ambush the day before. In the capital, it seemed the confusion was even worse. One of the three main candidates had found his name missing from the list. There was talk of declaring the whole process void. That could never happen," a veteran American correspondent remarked. "It yould be too much of a blow to Reagan's prestige."

Fiat's cut-price Regata challenges rivals

Fiat yesterday added another car to its fast changing range with a replacement for the 131 Mirafiori family saloon. The Regata (below) which goes on sale in Britain immediately with engines from 1300cc to 1600cc, will be a direct competitor for Ford's Orion

conventional "three box", fourdoor saloon sector which accounts for a third of the cars sold in Britain (Clifford Webb, correspondent,

The six versions of the Regata are priced to undercut its biggest selling



Austin threat to buy car parts abroad

By Clifford Webb, Motoring Correspondent

Austin Rover is the biggest customer of the British component industry, spending £850m

Mr Musgrove told the Government that "unfair" car mports from Spain were reducing British car production and that meant that domestic components firms were becoming uncompetitive because they were supplying a dwindling to get your act together." ing uncompetitive because they

Mr Harold Musgrove, chair- market. The only real hope for man and chief executive of them was to sell overseas.

Austin Rover, said yesterday "We have to tap into the that he will not jeopardize his same component volume base company's improved perform- as our international competiance by continuing to support tors. That base is moving out of uncompetitive British compo- this country. Unless something nent manufacturer when he can is done to reverse the trend we buy foreign components 15 per shall have to buy our parts overseas at the right price."

> He said it was "economic suicide" to allow Spanish cars to pay only 4 per cent import duty in Britain while our cars travelling in the opposite

direction has to pay 36 per cent. Mr Muserove said: "British component firms cannot rely on Austin Royer for their survival.

Duarte must face runoff poll From John Carlin, San Salvador

Not one official statistic of El Salvador's elections on Sunday had been released yesterday morning, but agree-ment appeared to be widespread that Senor Jose Napocon Duarte and Major Roberto d'Aubuisson would be

he said, had pushed the rebels

back into their strongholds to

make voting possible in many previously rebel-held towns.

As we were driven back to

our hotel a shot rang out

"Colonel, they are shooting!"

came the nervouse voice of a soldier from the back of our

icep. Colonel Monterrosa bid us

a calm goodnight without

dipping the lights of his vehicle.

The next morning we set off to watch polling in the north-

east of the country which has

borne the brunt of four years of

civil war. We were not three

miles out of town when we ran

into the guerrillas at the first of

their many road blocks we were

fighting for the presidency in a run-off election within 40 days. The first official result had been expected at 8pm on Sunday, two hours after voting ended. Given the chaos that reigned at the polling stations. it was explained, the official results would begin to trickle in on Monday afternoon. Late on

Monday night journalists, cameras at the ready, duly appeared at the national counting centre in San Salvador, only to discover a sea of eerie inactivity.

Ballots have been counted at all the country's polling stations but the results have in many cases not arrived in San Salvador and in all cases have not been officially released. Nevertheless, everyone

behaving as if the results had been declared and the elections are officially over; Señor Duarte is victorious; Major d'Aubuisson is menacingly crestfallen; provisional president Alvaro Magana calls the elections "a rejection of leftwing terrorism"; President Reagan, in Washington, exults at "another victory for freedom over tyranny".

No one, it appears, disputes the claims of Senor Duarte, a Christian Democrat, based on his understanding of counts at the polling stations, that he won a majority but not an outright victory, with Major d'Aubuisson, candidate of the Republican Nationalist Alliance Party, (Arena), taking second place.

Six sentenced to hang for **Kuwait bombing**

Kuwait (Reuter) - A court yesterday sentenced six people to death by public hanging for their part in a series of bombings in Kuwait in December which killed six people and wounded more than 80.

Seven of the 25 accused men. four of whom were tried in absentia, were sentenced to life imprisonment, four to 15 years one to 10 years and two to five years. Three of those sentenced to death are still on the run. Five of the accused were acquitted.



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Echoes of Andropov as Gorbachov demands dynamism and discipline

From Richard Owen, Moscow

has vowed to continue Mr Yuri forward, supporting himself on nenko's declared doubts and

conservative approach.
Sources said that a key role in keeping the Andropov reforms alive was being played by Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, aged 52. who is thought to have challenged Mr Chernenko for the leadership last month but remains in charge of economic matters on the Politburo.

At a meeting in the Kremlin on agriculture reported on the front page of Pravda yesterday Mr Chernenko said the food programme adopted in 1982 was "only the beginning". He said new methods were needed. including a decisive improvement in agro-industrial complexes and management reorganization. "Frankly speaking there is very little time left . . . It is vital to find urgent and thorough solutions".

Mr Chernenko's remarks were broadcast on television.

Jordan deal

on arms

sours visit

by Herzog

By Henry Stanhope Diplomatic Correspondent

President Chaim Herzog of

Israel arrived in London yester-

day with the avowed intent of

improving Anglo-Israeli re-lations, only to find his own

embassy seething over reports

anti-aircraft missiles to Jordan

have been happily timed for

Britain, with the Queen halfway

through her controversial visit

been less fortuitous for Mr Herzog, who is here for five

days as a guest of the Anglo-

he intends to invite the Queen

to Israel, when he lunches with

her at Windsor Castle on

Monday, as was disclosed in a

But he will also call on Mrs

Thatcher in Downing Street and

will be a fellow guest with Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign

chaired by Lord Hailsham, the

Lord Chancellor. President Herzog, born in Belfast and son

of Ireland's Chief Rabbi, is a

with members of the Jewish

Community in London. But

details of his programme are not being released for security

The former chief of military intelligence in Israel and one-

time ambassador at the United

Nations now aged 65, said in

last week's interview that he

would like Britain to support

Israel more openly in inter-

Diplomat

wounded

in Beirut

Form Our Correspondent Beirnt

diplomat in west Beirut yester-

day, while French troops con-

tinued to leave amid scattered

lighting between Christian and

families in the area.

hurt_

East Beirut and nearby

Gunmen wounded a French

national forums.

Other functions he will

member of Lincoln's Inn.

Times interview last week.

This is the visit during which

But they could hardly have

to the Heshemite kingdom.

Jewish community.

Leaks on the £90m sale of

of an Anglo-Arab arms deal.

The Chernenko leadership which showed him leaning Andropov's reformist economic the desk in front. He spoke trade unions said the "brigade programme despite Mr Cher- poorly and seemed short of system" of payment by results breath, as on previous occasions would continue and even be since becoming party leader on expanded in both agriculture The main speech, however, favoured by Mr Andropov, came from Mr Gorbachov, who teams or "brigades" of workers

past year - and some improve- according to productivity. ment in food supplies.

but said that planned targets for Observers noted that the grain, meat and milk had still Kremlin meeting was not not been met. In a deliberate attended by Mr Nikolai Tikhoecho of Andropov era termin- nov. the Prime Minister, who ology he called for dynamism, normally deals with economic initiative and discipline, and problems, or by two other said that officials should be Politburo members from key "politically mature, literate and agricultural regions, Mr Dincompetent organizers with a mukhamed Kunaev of feeling for the new" - a shaft Kazakhstan and Mr Vladimir evidently aimed at the hide-Sheherbitsky of the Ukraine, bound bureaucrats Mr Andro-Mr Viktor Grishin, the Moscow pov tried to purge but who feel city party boss, also stayed protected by Mr Chernenko, away. No explanations were who is 72.

At a press conference yesterday officials from industry and and industry. Under the system has overseen an upturn in on farms and in factories enter agricultural production includ- into a contract with the ing the grain harvest over the management and are paid

The team leader, known as a Mr Gorbachov put the "brigadier", distributes the increase in output at 5 per cent, profits to the team,

Observers noted that the

East-West thaw on Kornienko agenda

still echoing in Whitehall,

ranking Russian to come here on official business for eight inally due her last September, years, and his two-day visit is returning a visit made by Mr unlikely to be seen other than a Riskind to Moscow in April. sign of improving relations.

His programme starts today at the Foreign Office where he will meet Mr Malcolm Rifkind. the Minister of State and his official host followed by Lady Young who is his opposite number in Whitehall. He will also attend a seminar at the Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House) before going to watch the Royal Ballet

at Covent Garden tonight. Tomorrow he will see Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, and Sir Julian Bullard, the Deputy Permanent Under-Secretary at the Foreign Office, and will visit the Department of Trade and industry, before returning to

Moscow on Friday morning. East-West relations and arms control, as well a bilateral trade, are at the top of the agenda. while it remains to be seen how far British ministers will broach attend include dinners with the

the delicate subject of human

Mr Georgy Kornienko, the nuclear arms talks in Geneva Deputy Foreign Minister of the last November. Sir Geoffrey Soviet Union, arrived in Britain and his ministers will urge the for high-level talks last night. Russians to return to the with the latest sharp exchange negotiating table during their between the two governments conversations today and tomorrow. But the fact that Mr But he remains the highest- Kornienko is coming at all is more significant. He was orig-

> The invitation was with-drawn by Britain, however, after the South Korean airliner was shot down, and there has been speculation since over its renewal, Aged 59, Mr Korienko is a sophisticated career diplomat who speaks English fluently and has long specialized in the United States. He once accompanied President Brezhnev to the US and France.

Other subjects for discussion will probably include the July visit by Sir Geoffrey to Mos-cow, which was disclosed two weeks ago.

Mr Kornienko has arrived in the wake of attacks by Tass and Pravada on Mrs Thatcher, after her article in The Times in which she criticized the era of détente in the late 1970s as a period of "make-believe".

But the Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary have also spoken recently of the need to

thts. broaden the dialogue with These are all important in Moscow and it is in this context themselves, especially since the that Mr Komienko's visit Soviet decision to suspend the should be seen. **Prince and communist**

unite against gangsters

the Mafia) to the local prison society. Paliano is a charming hill town near Frosinone to the south of Rome, which is best owned by Prince Antonello Ruffo di Calabria. Signor Guiseppe Alveti, the Communist mayor, has injected the idea common criminals. of sending alleged Camorra criminals to his town, all of

The little town of Paliano is by the prince who is profoundly digging in its heels against the shocked that Paliano should be decision to send 18 members of about to receive exemples of the Camorra (Naples version of "the deepest evil, this cancer of

The mayor's fear is that which already includes among The mayor's fear is that its inmates about 40 terrorists Paliano will attract killers intent on eliminating men whom the Camorro regards as traitors. Meanwhile, a telephone call, known as a tourist centre and ostensibly from a Red Brigade for its splendid natural park group insisted that the record thest at the weekend of the equivalent of £15m was the work of the terrorists and not of

The idea that terrorists are about to begin a spring offenwhom have broken the rules of sive would be dispiriting for the Neapolitan criminal organi- those who felt the battle against zation by giving evidence to terroristm had been virtually investigators. He is supported won.



Youthful convert: The Rev Jesse Jackson on the stump in Buffalo, New York, before next Tuesday's key primary.

Bonn's arms policy worries Jews

Mr Edgar Bronfman, President of the Jewish World Congress, declared publicly before meeting Chancellor Helmut Kohl that Jews were "deeply concerned" by the possibility of West German arms exports to Saudi Arabia. He said he would make this report the main topic of talks

during a visit intended to

police monitor militias along

the "green line" between cast

strengthen links between Ger- Welt, a paper strongly critical of mans and Jews. As well as meeting Dr Kohl, he had talks that he knew from his meeting on Monday with Herr Hansconcentration camp,

that he knew from his meeting with Dr Kohl in Washington Jochen Vogel, the parliamentary leader of the Social many intended to increase Democrats. Yesterday he visited the site of Dachau defence armaments. But he said defence armaments. But he said ncar this would reduce rather than increase stability in the Middle Mr Bronfman, told Die

military court.



E Germans build electric fence

From Michael Binyon, Bonn

As East German border guards continued to dismantle automatic firing devices along the frontier with the West, the West German press carried details yesterday of a new fence being erected the old one which border behind experts here say is virtually

impossible to scale. The 10ft high electrically charged barricade is set back some 500 yards from 🔐 main fence and consists of netal railings with razor-sharp edges designed to cut the hands of

anyone attempting to climb it.
On the inward-facing side about 25 atarm wires are stretched along the length of the lence, with a further eight on the inward-sloping top section. If anyone touches more than one wire he causes a short-circuit setting off alarms in the watchtowers and observation hats.

the new fence about a year ago. several months before the dismantling of the scatter guns. It now extends about 28 miles along the border, most of it in

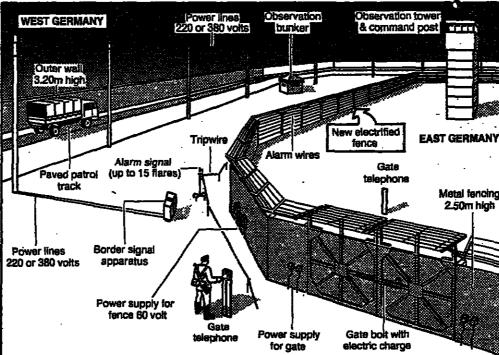
Details of construction were given in this week's issue of Der Spiegel, which said that on February 13 one of the electricians working on the outer side of the new installation leaped across the old fence into West Germany and has since provided Bonn with a meticulous account of the new

The "border signal fence", as it is known, rests on concrete slabs that extend some 4ft into the ground to prevent tunnelling. Raked earth extending 20ft from the fence gives visual warning of anyone coming near. Sheets of steel, said to be imported from West. Germany are bolted to the fence posts.

every 500 yards or so, and if anyone succeeds in climbing the fence be is then confronted with delicate trip wires on the other side which signal to the watchtowers exactly where he

The new fence is not lethal, as the electric current through the alarm wires is only 60 volts. But it is so secure that the East German authorities can confidently continue removing the 50,000 automatic firing devices. the 120 miles of minefields, and other deadly devices which give the world a very negative image of East Germany every time someone is shot or maimed on

Guards have had less occasion to open fire in recent months, and Bonn is hoping that the official order to shoot escapers will soon be lifted. This would remove one of the main points of friction in



So near yet so far: Latest refinement in border control is a fence to detect escapers.

Civil trial for Bignone likely

under the jurisdiction of military courts, and has ordered that an action against Argentina's last military president be civilians."
taken up by a civilian court.

Present

of military officers accused in the disappearances of thousands of people under the military junta that ruled Argentina until late last year.

The decision involves former President Reynaldo Bignone, who was arrested on Januarry 10 in connextion with the disappearance of two armed conscripts, members of the Communist Youth Federation. Both disappeared in 1976 after they were arrested in the grounds of the National Military College while General Bignone was director.

The Criminal Court of Appeals in Buenos Aires has ruled that charges concerning Argentine military code, comthe disappearances are offences outside the jurisdiction of the military officers before Sep-military code of justice. The tember 1983 come under court refused a request to have military jurisdiction. But under President Bignone tried in a Argentine constitutional law.

among members of the govern- continuing crime until the ment and human rights groups who have been at odds over the issue of who sits in judgment

Buenos Aires (NYT) - An "This is very important," Argentine officers appeared to Argentine judge has challenged a new law under which the trials of army officers would come Court. "Unless it is overruled change the interest of a prominent lawyer who be paramount interest during the change of the court. "Unless it is overruled change the change of the court." by the Supreme Court, it means For the past week, hundreds that many cases of disappeared of lawyers and human rights persons will be judged by workers have been registering

taken up by a civilian court.

The ruling lawyers said, was likely to affect the prosecution of military officers assertion. prosecution of commanders appointed by President who issued orders in the Alfonsin had recorded a total of disappearances and of lower- 8,426 disappeared persons. ranking men who committed according to a spokesman. "Of excesses on their own initiative, these, 950 are names we had never heard before", the spokesenacted a law reinforcing the man said, remarking on the jurisdiction of military courts to recent increase in reports of old permit the armed forces to conduct their own investigations. This was the subject of afraid before. the Appeal Court's ruling.

Human rights workers and lawyers have said they fear the military will be whitewashed in its own courts, even though military verdicts are subject to Under the recent reviewed

mon crimes committed by Argentine constitutional law, abduction remains a crime until The case has caused a stir it is solved. That is it remains a

victim is found, a lawyer said. To former prisoners and to the relatives and friends of the over the people who ordered abductions, torture and killings.

cases. Many people are coming forward now because they were The Supreme Council of the

armed forces had received about 250 cases, which was fewer than expected, said Señor Horacio Jaunarena, Deputy Minister of Defence. He believed the number was low because thousands of Argentine exiles are still abroad and many people prefer not to take their complaints to the military.

• Holiday off: Argentina has dropped a national holiday celebrating the invasion of the Falkland Islands. The decree ordering the change said the holiday, put on the calendar by the previous military government, commemorates "an event whose celebration is incongruous with the sentiments it

different kind of opposition

From Resit Gurdiler

While Mr Turgut Ozal's resounding success in Sunday's local polls consolidated his power, the outcome of the contest has already started to eat away at the country's new political structure so meticulously crafted by the former

military regime.

The electorate made its support clear for the Prime Minister with 44 per cent of the total votes, securing for the ruling Motherland Party control of the municipalities in 54 of the country's 67 provincial

With the same clarity it rejected the two opposition parties allowed into the Parliament last November, in effect turning their functions over to the social democratic Sodep and the conservative Right Way Party, which were both ex-cluded from the general elec-

While Sodep emerged from the local polls as the second biggest party with 22 per cent of the votes and the Right Way Party followed with 44 per cent, the Populist Party, which has 117 seats in the 400-strong parliament, saw its more than 30 per cent support in general elections dwindle to a meagre 8

per cent in Sunday's contest.

Meanwhile the centre-right Nationalist Democracy Party. the big loser of last November. continued its downhill roll with 6.4 percent. It has 67 deputies in the Parliament, whose continued its downhill roll with 6.4 per cent. It has 67 deputies in the Parliament whose continued allegiance to the party leadership had become dubious even before Sunday.

Immediately after the results were known, the leaders of both extra-parliamentary opposition parties. disappointed though there were over the slipped chance of forcing an early general election, pressed home their claim to be the true opposition.

leaving the two which together nesses. The package includes account for nearly 40 per cent of the votes outside the sphere of "official politics" Mr Ozal made clear that it would be so.

Emerging from a meeting with President Kenan Evren a day after the poll, the Prime Minister belittled the support given by the electorate to the two extra-parliamentary rivals. arguing that they could be regarded as "local opposition at best, as it was a local poll in

which they had contended The troubles started to plague the Populist Party yesterday. Its leader, Mr Calp. had pledged to resign if the party was defeated by Sodep in the local polls.

When, however, he allowed party executive to remain at his post despite the Populists humiliation before the Sodep. Mr Niyazi Aras, the deputy chairman, handed his resignation in protest, which was accepted.

But when the deputy secretary-general also tended his resignation, it was refused by the apparently panic-stricken party leadership, while the rumours were rife here of further defections from the

Turks pick | Papandreou loses his Finance **Minister**

Athens - The Greek Govern. ment lost its third Finance Minister since coming to power 30 months ago, in what appears to be a dramatic clash over its economic policies (Mario Modiano writes).

A sudden statement by Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Prime Minister. that Mr Yiannis Pottakis and one of his undersecretaries had resigned gave no reason.

Mr Pottakis is known to have had serious policy differences with Mr Gerasimos Arsenis, the Minister of National Economy, often described as the country's economic czar, and who now takes over the Finance portfolio

Romania sacks two ministers

Bucharest (AP) - Romania's Ministers of Agriculture and Electric Power have been replaced. Scinieia, the party newspaper reported, because their two ministries failed to

On the orders of President Ceausescu, Mr Ion Tesu is and Mr Trandafir Cocarla by Nicolae Busui.

General shot

Lyons (AP) - General Guy

Canberra (Reuter) - Austra-

Bangkok (Reuter) - Four fisherman have been charged in Songkhla with piracy, rape and abduction in an attack on a boatload of Vietnamese refugees off the Thai coast last line. It was the first arrest of such pirates since December 1981.

Zurich (AP). - The director of Switzerland's largest circulation newspaper Blick, fined 3.000 Swiss francs (£1.000) by Zurich for publishing massage will continue to run them until a court rules on the fine's

Berlin scare

of live ammunition.

Sékou Touré dies on the

Cleveland, Ohio (Reuter) President Ahmed Sékou Touré
of Guinea has died during heart
surgery in a United States
hospital after being rushed find West Africa in a specially equipped aircraft provided by King Fahd of Saudi Arabia. He was 62 and the longest-ruling

modern African leader. He died at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation Hospital on

day after a 10-hour flight in a flying cardiac intensive care number two man in the regime unit - an aircraft equipped with and has been Prime Minister the latest monitoring and life since 1972. He is acting head of support technology. The decision to transfer him to the constitution a national constitution a national constitution and has been frime infinitely with the since 1972. He is acting head of support technology. cision to transfer him to the constitution a national Cleveland was taken by four plebiscite must be held within physicians who flew to Conak-

Both the visit by the Cleve-land physicians and the loan of the aircraft by King Fahd followed requests by King Hassan of Morocco who earlier sent three of his own doctors.

 DAKAR: President Touré's death has stunned West Africa (Susan MacDonald writes). Over the past few years he

had emerged from isolation to become one of the foremost leaders in the region. The shock was summed up by President Abdou Diouf of Senegal when he spoke of his profound emotion and great sadness. Mr Lansana Beavogui is the

45 days to elect a new President Leading article, page 15 Obituary, page 16

keeps

Santiago (Reuter). - Tight security by Chile's military

first this year - ended with traffic returning to the streets of the capital despite residents' reports of four overnight bomb blasts.

he wants a daughter

Gaborone (Reuter) - The Prince of Wales, on the final leg of his four-nation African tour. yesterday inspected a dam project outside Gaborone

The Prince, on the first full day of a 10-day visit to Botswana first inspected work on the main wall at Gaborone dam, the reservoir for the southern region of this droughtstricken country.

Then he spent more than an

hour at the secondary school, the largest in Botswana with 1,200 pupils.

He was asked by children about Prince William. To gales of laughter, he said the young

meet quotas last year.

Delfosse, regional commander of the gendarmerie in central France, was shot dead while trying to negotiate with two bandits who entered a bank while he was there on business. The raiders fled without money but took the surveillance

Dam money

lia's federal government has offered the state of Tasmania a general election, pressed home their claim to be the "true opposition".

While the press commentaries conceded the anomaly of world's most beautiful wilderpower subsidy over 10 years.

Pirates held

Clean-up defied

Berlin (AP) - Up to 1,000 residents may have to be evacuated from more than 100 houses in the Rudow district of West Berlin which are built over a Second World War antitank ditch now found to be full

operating table

Monday after a two and a half hour attempt to save his life on the operating table, a hospital spokesman said yesterday. He said President Sekou Toure arrived carlier the same

ry. the Guinean capital, on

Clampdown | Prince says Chile quiet

government apparently succeeded in keeping Santiago calm yesterday at the start of a day of protest to press for a quick return to democracy. An overnight curfew - the

The Government said in imposed the new security measures to protect people after

a wave of bomb attacks in recent weeks. It also cited the violence of last year's day of protest, which displayed the most widespread expression of discontent in a decade of military rule.

of laughter, he said inc years of prince was very mischievous and broke everything in the house. He said it would be nice if his next child was a girl.

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Angola still stands by last

month's Lusaka peace accord.

and says it will continue to take

part in the joint Luanda-

Pretoria monitoring com-

mission which is supervising

the withdrawal of South African

This was made clear yester-day by Mr Roelof "Pik" Botha.

the Foreign Minister, when he disclosed that he had received

"certain explanations" from

Luanda in response to his

demand for an urgent clarifi-

cation of last week's joint

Santos of Angola and President

South Africa took strong

exception to some of the language in the statement

which, it said at the time, raised

doubts about Angola's continu-

ing commitment to the Lusaka

sentenced

to death

From Charles Harrison

of the attempted coup which

was launched here on August 1.

1982, Air Force Sergeant Pan-

cras Okumu. was yesterday

senienced to death by a court-

He had pleaded not guilty to treason and in a statement

claimed that he had joint the

revolt after learning that the

Kenyan minister for consti-tutional affairs. Mr Charles Njonjo. was involved in an-

other coup plot timed to take

Earlier, Okumu had com-plained that he had been

promised his freedom if he

agreed to implicate Mr Njonjo

in the coup plot. He said this

offer was made to him by Kenyan representatives after he

had been granted political asylum in Tanzania.

place a few days later.

The second alleged ringleader

Castro of Cuba.

statement by President Dos saying that their expression of

accord. Now. Mr Botha says. Cuban-Angola statement

recognizes the Lusaka agreement and accepts its validity".

Cuban troops gradually from Appela on certain conditions

What particularly rankles in This, in fact, is true. Pretoria Pretoria was a reference in the has not yet responded in any

Angola-Cuban statement to detailed way to the Angola offer

solidarity with the "heroic which, despite the rhetorical

troops from southern Angola.

Luanda placates Pretoria

and confirms

Lusaka peace accord

The Angolans, meanwhile,

their national news agency,

support for the two black

nationalist organizations was

merely a confirmation of positions of principle" and had

no bearing on the validity of the

Luanda has also accused

South Africa of ignoring the

'most important part" of the

This, in fact, is true. Pretoria

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From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg South Africa is satisfied that African National Congress parallel withdrawal of Cubans Angola still stands by last ((ANC) in South Africa. from Angola and South African troops from Namibia, The statement also spoke of

Unless there is movement on Swapo and the ANC as the the Cubans, the South Africans legitimate representaof the Namibian and implement United Nations South African peoples. Mr Security Council Resolution Botha pointed out, with some 435, which provides for a ceasefire in Namibia between justice. that this was a little hard to accept when Angolan troops simultanously had been involved alongside South African soldiers in clashes with Swapo. Swapo and Pretoria, supervised by the UN, leading to elections to a constituent assembly and independence.

• LISBON: Unita rebels yeshave issued a statement through terday said they had captured a coastal town 190 miles south of Luanda and gave warning of intensified fighting unless the Government agreed to direct peace talks (Reuter reports).

A Unita communiqué, issued in Lisbon, said 5.000 guerrillas stormed Sumbe, the capital of Cuanza-Sul Province, during a six-hour battle on Sunday.

More than 500 government troops. 62 Cubans. seven Russians. 12 Bulgarians and five Italian technicians were killed, with 65 Angolans, four Bulgarians and 10 Portuguese captured. the rebels claimes. Unita losses were given as 42 dead, 103 wounded and seven

struggle" of Swapo guerrillas in wrapping paper, seems not to Namibia and the banned rule out the possibility of a Coup leader | Nakasone trip helps to ease tensions

From Richard Hanson, Tokyo

By the standads of China's liplomatic game, Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, Japan's Prime Minister, appears to have scored valuable points both for neighbouring South Korea and for the principle of "mutual trust" between Japan and China during his first official visit to

Peking which ended this week. The longer-term diplomatic results could be a subtle easing of tension in the region, especially in relations with the troubled Korean peninsula. For the time being, the trip made clear that Japan's relations with China have never been better.

Chinese leaders proved much more amenable than expected to a request conveyed by Mr Nakasone from South Korea, which has no official ties to China, to allow Koreans in China to visit and be visited by

relatives in the south. The Chinese went so far as to say that Koreans living in China some 1.7 million of both northern and southern origins should be able to meet relatives on visits not only in China and South Korea but even Tokyo. Seoul's news agency responded immediately by reporting that

ten Koreans have already

signed up with the International Red Cross to go.

It is still anyone's guess as to whether this turn of events will have any future impact, however subtle, on humanitarian exchanges between the two Koreas. There was no sign of specific progress toward starting up of a dialogue between North and South Korea, but both countries agreed that war must be prevented from breaking out on the peninsula.

China further indicated that it would help communications between Japan and North Korea, which lack diplomatic ties. Japan does not intend to use China as a conduit on specific political or economic issues, but rather as a means of conveying precise intentions.

Japan's attitude to the North has been put under further strain by last year's Rangoon bombing, which killed several South Korean officials, and which North Korea is accused of perpetrating.

Mr Nakasone went to China bearing gifts, notably a promise of long-term economic aid which could total 470,000 yen over the next seven years and 50m yen for the relief of



Royalty and a royal breed: The Queen, the Duke of Edinburgh and King Husain's sister. Princess Alia, admiring an Arab stallion in Amman.

UN report is first proof of breach in chemical war ban

From Zoriana Pysariwsky, New York

A United Nations report presented by an international team of military and medical experts on the use of mustard gas and nerve gas against Iranian targets in the gulf war, marks the first formal substantiation of allegations that chemical weapons have beem employed since the Geneva Protocal of 1925 went into

Although there have been charges that similar weapons were used in Yemen in the 1960s and American allegations that the Soviet Union and Vietnam had resorted to mycotoxins know as "yellow rain", in Afghanistan and Indochina, the charges were never unreservedly confirmed.

Both the use of mustard and nerve gas are outlawed by the protocal which includes fran and Iraq as its signatories.

The conclusion of the UN team, composed of four specialists from Australia. Spain, Switzerland and Sweden who each gathered and examined evidence pertaining to their fields of expertise, were unani-

They ruled that the military and clinical evidence confirmed that chemical weapons in the form of aerial bombs have been used in the areas of Iran the team inspected. Their methods included in-

tervies with Iranian Government officials, visits to the war zone, and clinical examinations of nationts evacuated from the front. The specialists spent six days in Iran, but were refused entry to Iraq.

spesifically the user of the matic piece of evidence was an to attain a final victory. unexploded bomb found in the war zone which contained a dark brown, oily liquid shown to contain mustard gas. Other would issue a condemnation.

Why treaty fails

After negotiations in Geneva a convention banning the production stockpiling and use of biological weapons was signed in 1972. But "germ" weapons have always been of doubtful effectiveness. Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent, writes.

The use of chemical mani-tons was prohibited by the Geneva Protocol of 1925, but not their production or stockpiling. Some signatories have continued to make them.

The present Geneva talks held by the Conference on Disarmament, have the objective of stopping production altogether, but veryfying compliance remain an obstacle

samples of liquid and soil were found to contain a nerve gas called tabun.

All three 300lb bombs examined had greenish casings marked BR 250 WP and timing fuses with instructions in spanish. Of the 47 patients and 12 bodies, 38 cases were found to be part of a clinical pattern consistent with exposure to chemical weapons.

The specialists also reported that the area of the war zone surveyed appeared to be of a type that would normally be elected as a target for conventional attack. Bornbs containing chemicals might be used in an attempt to clear the area, so that after a safe period it could be occupied by an attacking force.

Both the report and Iran's

Their lindings, ishued with-out qualification, failed to name chemical weapons as well as fuelled fears that the Gulf war weapons without the benefit of has reached the stage where no having actually witnessed an moral prescriptions will prevent aerial attack. Their most dra- the use of any weapon necessary

But it was unlikely that the Security Council, where a majority tilt towards Iraq.

Scholar's startling new theory

Did English start in India?

A South Indian student of language has come up with a BC and wandered through Asia novel theory about the origins of English. According to squadron leader P Shivaprasad Rai, English sprang from a language spoken by over a million people living in the south-west of India in a region known as Dakshina Kannada.

The language is Rulu, which long ago was widely spoken all over the Indian sub-continent before the Aryan invasions of the second millennium before for instance, to the English Christ. According to the work 'like', which may be used the second millennium before starving pandas.

the seventh or eighth century and Europe tintil they ended up invading Britain as the Angles, bringing their unique language

He draws his conclusions from a close comparison of the syntax, morphology and phonetics of the two languages. In a paper delivered last week to the first international conference on literature in translation held in Delhi he drew attention, squadron leader, the Tuluas as an adjective, an adverb, a

has its equivalent in Tulu leka which has similar flexible uses. He also points out that among all the Indo-European languages only two, English and Tulu, use 'W' in the same

tongue-in-the-cheek comment from the Calcutta English language newspaper The Statesman says that while the theory is not likely to be taken too seriously in academic circles it adds a new dimension to the debate going on in Britain about linguistic permissiveness, by suggesting an

Fatal blast intensifies NZ industrial tension

situation. One unidentified man was killed and another injured. . It is thought the explosion

was caused by a bomb left in a suitcase in the foyer of the building, which accomodates the head offices of a number of national unions, though the police have not yet confirmed

this.

The interior of the building was extensively damaged. No arrests have been made.

The union movement is involved in formulating its

A fatal blast in the trades half decree last week of \$NZ8 (£4) a in Wellington yesterday height-ened an already tense industrial allowed in more than 19

Sir Robert Muldoon, the Prime Minister, says that is all the country can afford if the anti-inflationary gains achieved by the 18-month wages and prices freeze are not to be frittered away.

The unions, angry that wage control is to stay while prices are freed, want at least \$NZ17. They have been holding joint meetings and the Federation of Labour has undertaken to back response to the Government's their responses.

Mullahs at prayer killed by Afghan mosque bomb From Our Own Correspondent, Delhi

The Soviet-supported regime incident show that a major

of Mr Babrak Kannal is trying to make a propaganda coup out of the bombing of a mosque by inujahidin guerrillas in Kabul. The soviet-built mosque was blasted at 6.20 pm on March 21 when a number of people were at prayer in the building. According to the Afghan Government four mullahs were

killled and seven injured. Western diplomats in Delhi esterday said, however, that nine bodies were counted being taken out of the smoking ruins and that at least 11 people were seriously injured.

A statement put out by the government media said the acident was evidence of "the bestial and anit-Islamic nature of counter-revolutionary soldout indidel thugs." The Western view is that the Asian republics.

attack can be mounted in daylight in a sensitive area of the Afghan capital. The mosque is close to the Polytechnic Institute buildings in the northwest of the city. March 21 was the Alghan New Year festival of Nauroz, and security had been stepped up.

The attack appears to have been a response to the inter-national conference of Islamic scholars and clergy held by the regime during the previous week to boost its Islamic creditials. Although the delegates were invited from every Islamic country in the world, the only foreign representatives came from India. The People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, and the Soviet Central

progress. Observers had expected

Yasuhiro Nakasone.

A statement issued by Tass press had yesterday said Mr Qian Qichen, between Vithe Chinese deputy foreign abnormal,

Sino-Soviet deadlock played down by Moscow From Our Own Correspondent, Moscow

The fourth round of Sino- minister and his soviet counter-Soviet "consultations" ended in part Mr Leonid Ilychov had Moscow yesterday, but against continued the exchange of expectations Soviet comment views on the normalization of was low key and gave no hint of

Moscow to give some indi-cation of the state of Sino-Soviet relations in view of President Reagan's planned visit to Peking next month. The Russians won't want the Americans to have it all their own way in Peking", one diplomat said, noting that the Kremlin is suspicious of the Chinese-American relationship and sharply criticised the visit to China last weekend by the Japanese Prime Minister, Mr

Soviet-Chinese relations. The talks had taken place in a frank and calm atmosphere and would resume in October in Peking.
Diplomatic sources said there

had been no progress in the five meetings held since Mr Qian arrived in Moscow on March 12. There was still deadlock on the three main issues: Soviet backing for Vietnamese domi-nation of Kampuchea; the presence of Soviet troops on the Chinese border and the Soviet occupation of Afehanistan.

Moscow however noted yesterday that the Vietnamese press had described tensions between Vietnam and China as

Witness who was admired and hated

Controversial honour for Hiss case man

From Nicholas Ashford Washington

Few figures in post-war America have aroused such conflicting passions as Whit-taker Chambers, the traitorturned-patriot who was posthumously awarded the US Medal of Freedom by President Reagan on Monday. To liberals and those on the

left of the political spectrum the man who inculpated Alger Hiss – and indirectly helped launch the political rise of Richard Nixon – is still regarded with a mixture of loathing and contempt. Right-wingers, on the other hand, consider him a modern

American hero, a man who

halted the spread of communist

ideology in American intellec-

tual society and who restored the nation's faith in God and freedom. That President Reagan should have decided to present America's highest civilian honour to such a controversial figure says much about his own

personality and the nature of his Administration. President Reagan read exculpatory memoir Witness three decades ago, at a time when he was beginning his own political



Whittaker Chambers: Tribute from President Reagan. Republican.

According to the White Honse, the President still admires Chambers for "seeing the light in coming from communism to freedom" - so much so, in fact, that he has been invoking Chambers's name and example in recent

Indeed Chambers's influence is detectable in much that Mr Reagan says or does, whether it is describing the Soviet Union

as "an evil empire" or supporting (unsuccessfully 25 it turned out) 2 constitutional amendment authorizing organized prayer in public schools.

Chambers joined the Communist Party in 1925, quickly rose through the ranks and eventually ended up in the Soviet Union where he under-went training as a spy. He returned to the US and set up a group in Washington which pilfered government secrets and passed them on to Moscow.

However by 1937 he had become disillusioned by Stalin's repressive leadership and, fearing assassination, lived for a year in hiding. He was later taken on by *Time* magazine where as Foreign Editor he became known for his virulent anti-communist views.

It was not until almost a decade later that he became a national celebrity after being subpoenzed to appear before the House un-American activities committee. Chambers caused a sensation by telling the committee that among his accomplices in his spy cell was Alger Hiss, a former high-flyer in the State Department who had participated in the Yalta summit conference

The prolonged battle between Chambers and Hiss which ensued turned into a classic

confrontation of style and ideology. Mr Hiss was tall, elegant, well-spoken, well con-nected and a firm advocate of the New Deal policies which were being threatened by the anti-communist fervour then prevailing in Congress. Mr. Chambers was a short, pudgy-rumpled figure who expounded his anti-communist views with almost messianic zeal.

Mr Hiss denied before the House committee that he had House committee that he had any relationship with Chambers. He was charged with perjury and was found guilty after two trials and Chambers presentation of the so-called "Pumpkin papers" (five rolls of film he had hidden in a numbkin. He went to in a pumpkin. He went to prison from which he emerged in 1954 still protesting his

William Rusher, publisher of the National Review, said the award of the Medal of Freedom to Chambers was highly appro-

However Victor Havasky, editor of the left-leaning The Nation commented that it was disturbing that such an important award should bave been given to a man who "lied on any number of occasions and had a paranoid view of the world. He could not distinguish



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Making films is a risky

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year's receipts. But the

gamble can pay off,

as David Pirie explains

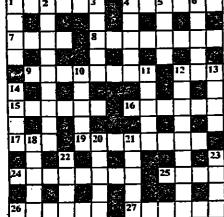
"The psychology of the major movie studios." a leading Hollywood agent said, "is based on fear. The fear of making a film and flopping, or not making a film and seeing it become a hit for someone else."

Last year was another boom year for Hollywood films, but the risks in motion picture production are, if anything, more dramatic than ever.

The 10 most successful films of 1983; as reported in Variety magazine. generated more than half a billion dollars. These are the crucial titles of the year to Hollywood, not just because the American film audience is nearly twice as big in cash terms as the rest of the world put together, but also because the United States is the place where international audience trends are born. All of the hits listed were successful in Britain and elsewhere (with the exception of Mr Mom, not yet released here).

But there is a negative side to this equation: the 10 flops listed did not even take enough money between them to cover the cost of financing one major production, Their combined losses may have exceeded \$100m. And

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some of the studios who made them, like Disney, did not produce a big enough success to balance the books.

Every studio head in Hollywood is only a few flops away from dismissal. and sudden departures are already the norm. There was a time when the longest-serving top executive had been in his post all of two weeks. There is increasing pressure to predict the taste of the highly volatile audience.

Variety's lists provide a very rough guide to the state of that taste in 1983. They are therefore a starting-point for any movie mogul who knows that it is never enough just to crank out a duplicate of the latest sensation. For one thing, decisions made now are unlikely to be tested until 1985; for another, the road to past box-office oblivion is paved with good imitations.

The least surprising success of 1983 was George Lucas's conclusion of the Star Wars trilogy, Return of the Jedi. Its income does not quite equal 1982's ET bonanza, but it has done as well as both its hugely successful predecessors.

And its success confirms Lucas's achievment in rescuing a whole genre. Before 1977, there was not a single science fiction film among the big hits of all time - now it dominates the list.

But science fiction is not the dominant trend of 1983 - nor even the '80s. Analysing the top 10 films for each year since 1980, the most profitable genre has been comedy.

On the 1983 list there is Tootsie, Trading Places. Mr Mom and 48 Hours, which is as much comedy as thriller. The basic formula is the same: put Dan Aykroyd in hippie gear inside a swank Manhattan club in Trading Places; put black actor Eddie Murphy in cop uniform inside a redneck bar in 48 Hours: put Michael Keaton in an apron in front of an ironing-board in Mr Mom; put Dustin Hoffman in drag in Tootsie - 1980s' comedies seem to be overwhelmingly concerned with social and sexual role-switching.

It is tempting also to trace the equally recurrent theme of upward social mobility to the economic climate. Trading Places. for example, in which a wealthy tycoon changes places with a black down-and-out, is inspired by the comic social fables that were popular during the depression of the 1930s. But out-and-out lunacy is a vital added ingredient of these films, as if their audience refuses to take either sex, or the 1980s depression, too

The happy ending, which went out of fashion in the 1960s, now seems essential. This caused a problem for the makers of War Games, which is based on the idea of a teenage computer freak who gains access to a computer controlling the United States' nuclear detences. Its offginal script ended with nuclear Armageddon. But its backers, MGM/UA, thought such an ending unacceptable.

The director was fired and the script was rewritten so that the teenager convinces the generals that their nuclear strategy is dangerous. The US Air Force was still outraged, complaining that the film "distorted infor-mation". But, for all its brainless generals, it contrived to be optimistic about humanity. Its backers were duly rewarded.

Even Superman III developed the comic potential of the series, adding



Figures represent the 1983 rental returned by the cinemas to the studio who made the film

far less than its predecessors.

place at the local bailet school.

Gentleman, makes its most serious

appearance in 1983 in the list's only

two musicals. Jennifer Beals in Flash-

dance is, of all things, a Pittsburgh steelworker who's striving to win a

This may sound possible, until you realized that membership of the

Pittsburgh steel union has become so

restricted that it would be quite

extraordinary for someone with only a

passing interest to get there in the first place. But then, Flashdance is essen-

tially a glossy musical fantasy, greatly

Staying Alive succeeded not because of its mediocre Bee Gees soundtrack,

nor because it starred John Travolta. If

that sounds unrealistic, remember that

Travolta came to Staying Alive after

three box-office flops. Sylvester Stallone, Staying Alive's director, re-

sponded by making Travolta's come-

back the covert subject of the whole

movie, then pacing it with the furious

energy that made Stallone's Rocky

Stallone transformed Travolta, the former idol of Saturday Night Fever

who had slumped to the star of Blow

pictures so successful.

helped by the success of its songs

Richard Pryor to the caped superhero Out, which forced its distributor into liquidation, into a money-maker again. going to seed. Given the present climate, this might have seemed a very Staving Alive is less a sequel to Saturday Night Fever than a musical shrewd commercial move. But director Rocky, using every technique to milk audience identification with the Richard Donner had made the first two Superman movies successful by struggle of the central character. The taking the character seriously. Superman Ill's carnings appear to prove Donner right, because the film earned critics hated it, but like so much of Stallone's work, Staying Alive is one of those films which refuses to let the critics get between it and its audience. The notion of social improvement, apparent in last year's An Officer And A

There may be a swing in Hollywood's political mood

Perhaps, taken as a whole, 1983's top 10 is almost more interesting for what is not on it: no horror films; no Broadway musicals; no literary adaptations; not even many-other than the perenniai Bond-action/adventure thrillers. Yet all these categories are represented on the list of flops: David Cronenberg's horror Videodrome, Sam Peckinpah's spy thriller The Osterman Weekend, the adaptation of the Broadway hit Pirates of Penzance and Disney's high-budget translation of Ray Bradbury's novel Something Wicked This Way Comes. These films have flaws, but the genres they represent are currently out of favour.

Nor was 1983 a good year for acclaimed directors. Apart from Peckinpah's unhappy comeback. Martin Scorsese (King of Comedy), Francis

Coppola (Rumble Fish) and Jack Clayton (Something Wicked) all backed major flops. Britain's biggest success was Gandhi, reaching eighteenth position in terms of earnings. though it still falls behind Chariots of Fire, which remains Britain's most successful film in the US.

This year the major studios will release around 100 features and almost half will be comedies. But already there are signs of a shift with the American success of a "docudrama", Silkwood (Meryl Streep as a real-life radiation victim), and of a tear-jerker, Terms of Endearment (Debra Winger dies of a faral illness).

There may also be a swing in Hollywood's political mood. US.cinema has so far resisted the right-wing political climate emanating from Washington. In 1983 we had movies critical of nuclear war strategy (War Games), the US legal system (The I'erdici), US foreign policy on central America (Under Fire) and the US military (Blue Thi image projected by Hollywood remains a broadly liberal one.

But all that could change this year. One of the most striking titles on the list of forthcoming releases is Red Dawn! It concerns a Russian airborne invasion of a small US town, and the determined armed resistance of its inhabitants. This eccentric project is not the work of some small company. but is being released by MGM/UA and has been masterminded by Hollywood's arch right-winger, John Milius, best known for his work on the Apocalypse Now script.

moreover... Miles Kington

Every one a winner

This is the time of the year when the media like to give themselves awards for being so good, and we at Moreover Publications are proud to announce the results of the Moreover Press Awards for 1984.

The presentation ceremony itself will be held next week at the Sir Richard. Attenborough Conference Centre, the Pork Scratchings Service Area, on the M1. A glittering selection of celebrities who would like to be seen more on TV will be there, and the proceedings will go out live that night on all channels unless Torvill and Dean are on.

We are especially pleased that all the awards, after much careful consideration, have again been given to members of the Moreover staff. They are as follows: . . .

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sports Journalist of the Year, Frank Nobbs. for his campaign to expose the truth about rugby football. Sheltering behind a facade of being the last sport free from money and drug problems, international rugby has become the most shatteringly boring of all major games. yet only Frank has dared say so. "How can a game in which Dusty Hare is a star be fulfilling its potential?" he asks. "How much longer can reporter go on saying: 'Although totally lacking a quality, this was a truly exciting game? When will the laws be changed so that TV commentators will actually know why the whistle has gone? Why on earth ... "OK, OK, Frank. That's enough. He receives a

season ticket for Bath's home games. Fashion Writer of the Year. Sukie Nobbs. for having the most colourful prose despite being the worst dressed person in the office. She receives a £500 gift voucher for any British Rail Lost Property office.

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Woman Journalist of the Year. James Nobbs, for being the only person brave enough in the office to volunteer to review Germaine Greer's book. He is allowed to keep it.

Promising Young Journalist of the Year. Ian Nobbs, for having provided most of the best jokes in this column over the past year and for not minding working late into the night. He receives a living wage next year.

Restaurant Writer of the Year. To our very own Tarquin Nobbs, who always refers extensively to "my companion", yet has always eaten alone and then put in expenses for two people. Nice one, 'Tarquin! You're fired. Critic of the Year. Ludmilla Nobski, the

only Russian critic to defect to the West. Her reports have been dazzling, mercurial, death defying. As soon as she learns to write in English, she will be a valued member of the Moreover staff. She receives a dictionary.

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A secretive 70-year-old shocker

To produce a justly admired big-selling first novel at 70 is a feat greatly to be envied particularly when it is inspired by need and surrounded by extreme modesty. Mary Wesley, whose second novel, The Camomile Lawn, appears tomorrow, is as unsure and tentative about her new work as she is about all things; but by now the writing has become life, that dimension always lacking from her existence and now so pleasurable. "What is lovely" she says. "is that I'm too old to have love affairs and I really enjoy working. I simply missed out on 50 years of it."

The long period before productivity was not quite as empty as she makes it sound, nor really of her own doing. She did, in fact, start writing in her thirties, "but for myself, tearing everything up. It never occurred to me to publish anything". It wasn't until Antonia White caught her in the act of throwing away a manuscript that she took the whole business more seriously, and even then the two children's books she embarked on were really written to read aloud to her husband Eric in the evening, as he was by then very ill with Parkinson's disease

"When he died, in 1970, I had a total block. It was despair. I was paralysed by having no qualifi-cations and no money." Her youngest son was 16 and still at Dartington. "I had £50 a week to live on. I had to calculate everything. I worked sometimes for friends with an antique shop. I taught A-level French until the school discovered I wasn't trained. I made sweaters for friends who knew how impecunious I was and I flogged what little silver and jewelry I had left." Even the perfect cottage on the edge of Dartmoor, her home for 18 years, with a stream running through the garden and three acres of woods and grass had to go, not least because the car had finally fallen to pieces and she needed a new one. She sold it while lying in bed with double pneumonia, as would-be buyers traipsed through the house peering nervously at what

they assumed to be a dying seller. The break in block and fortune came together. She had been tinkering with a third children's hook called Haphazard House (now

up for the Carnegie Prize), and with what became Jumping the Queue, the touching and distinctly autobiographical first novel about a widow in her fifties. in love with animals and her garden, but bent on sufcide. It is both funny and sexy. The confirmation that south had found publishers came the same day. She had no money for the trip to London, but it was sent to her and despair, overnight, became euphoria",

The extreme lack of money had been very real, but it had not always been that way. Mary Wesley was the second daughter of a soldier, and spent her childhood in Europe, her mother moving firmly to France or lialy whenever the colonel got a posting to a place where the family could not go. She was nine and in Portofino when Mussolini held the first Fascist elections and no one in the village, by agreement, would vote. Mary gathered orchids and became a keen child gardener. When a friend complained that the girls were picking up regional accents, they moved to Siena, to the heart of pure-spoken Italian. There were 10 governesses in eight years.

When Mary was 14, her mother decided the moment had come to take her older daughter to join her father in India. The only son was safely at Eton. Mary was placed in a small school in Si Leonards, and later for two terms in a London girls' public school. She was unhappy and learnt little. Then came a finishing school in Paris. "I came back to London to do the season. After a few weeks of parties my mother said to me: "Mary. how old are you?" Sixteen, I replied. "My God", she said. "You're much too young." So was off to a domestic science school for six months, before

coming out at Court. Now followed years of enforced pleasure, the colonel being no more a believer in working women than he had been in their education. "So I did what girls like me did - nothing at all. I was told to have a good time, and I certainly did." When young men marvelled that she had never read Shaw or H. G. Wells she joined classes in international politics at the London School of Economics and listened to Czechs and Poles displaced by the Treaty of Versailles arguing hitterly, "in a permanent, seething state of rage".



Mary Wesley: "I have trained people not to drop in". became engaged to an Irish peer, Baron Swinsen. The marriage did not long survive the war, but by then she had two sons and had met the man who was to become her second husband, a journalist called Eric Siepmann, with whom she was, by contrast, exceedingly happy. From France, where he was stationed at the end of the war he sent her Aragon's poems to translate. Siepmann was not as successful a writer as he should have been, but the family moved often, with Mary Wesley attempting to send back articles for publication in reluctant

When the Dartmoor cottage was sold, she moved in to a very tall, solid, stone house in the middle of Totnes, with the castle behind and the Midland Bank in front, It is light, full of books and nice china

British newspapers.

Not long before war broke out she and cosy; but there is no garden and no animal. "I just can't see myself training a new puppy in my nightdress in the middle of the night in the streets of Totnes." Mary Wesley is a near, handsome woman with a square face and heavy white hair, her manner is both purposeful and shy, hesitant and firm. She dismisses her past and her family with a kind of affectionate con-tempt. "I have become totally secretive", she says, "I live a hermit's existence. I have trained people not to drop in and not to telephone." Why, I asked her, is the name on her books Wesley? "Ah" she said, with enjoyment, "that is a pseudonym. I knew people would be shocked by Jumping the Queuc. They'll be a great deal more shocked by The Cantomile Lawn. When you reach my age you must be able to say what you like."

ALAN FRANKS' DIARY

To sleep, perchance to split the atom

Child myth number 279: those who sleep badly are dynamic and creative and destined to become top nuclear physicists, concert pianists and cabinet ministers of their day, while those who sleep well can expect little more than a steady livelihood as a filing clerk in a minor insurance

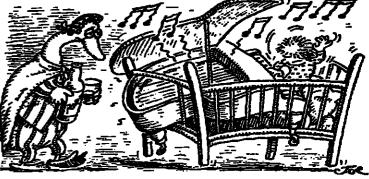
It is such a popular myth that at times it threatens to harden into a cliche, but never quite makes the transition since cliches are threequarters truth and myths three-quarters fiction. No doubt the person who first made this equation between insomnia and high achievement had the purest motives of charity or desperation. The trouble is that we have all taken him (or her) 100 literally and feel we are the victims of some gross genetic rip-off when the little wakeaholics mature

Most parents I know have at some time or other had chronically broken nights and lain awake like passengers on the slow train to dawn. If all these families believed they were harbouring the next Einstein, John Ogden or Geoffrey Howe, there would certainly be some very rude awakenings in the pipeline.

I am happy to report that my horrible lawyer friend, Parvis Mait-land, is having broken nights, thanks to his four-year-old son. Whenever he goes into the child's bedroom to remonstrate, still bleary with port, the boy is ready with a cogent defence for the motion that it is not in fact. two in the morning but four in the afternoon and time for Playschool. No doubts about his future; it has to be the bar.

Just a codicil on that latest and most disastrous visit by Great Aunt Sylvia from Beckenham, Leafing back to my entry on the subject, I sense contrition on my part, just because a child's explctive went undeleted. Given that I deplore the Great Aunt's values, and she mine, this is an absurd waste of remorse. True, her face looked as though it has just swallowed a year's supply of umbrage; true, her huff arrived and she went off in it (destination: High Dudgeon). But in the seven short days (a long time in politics) which have since passed. I have suddenly grasped what I should have grasped years ago, namely, that I don't care.

She came here, as she always does, bent on sinister discoveries about The New Childhood, and we have sutisfied her. These she can now relay on her tissue-thin blue airmail



raves to the most distant limbs of the fumily. All small children exist to incur the displeasure of someone who is irrelevant to them, and so I should delight in filling an old heart with happiness. More than this, I should thank the ancient relative for the sense of liberation which I now feel, but somehow I know that my largesse would only be misunderstood. Instead, I shall just wait for her next self-invitation, which will not be long in coming.

A family has just moved into River Street. I don't know their names, but think of them as the sub-Sloanes. They all have green wellingtons which never get muddy and own an Old English Sheepdog called Tarquin, who is a parody of the species. The father strides into the park with a shooting stick and pristine deerstalker. The rumour is that, far from being Something in the City, as you must in order to be a fully paidup Sloane, he is a bit-part actor who did quite well out of Crown Court and General Hospital.

It is their clear intention to raise the tone of the neighbourhood; no sooner had they arrived than the small terraced house sprouted brass carriage lamps and a bay window panes like the base of a wine bottle. It all looks disgustingly bogus to me, not to mention anti-social, so determined are they to distance themselves from the style of their chosen road. As always in these matters, it is the children who speak tacit volumes. There is a boy of seven at my daughter's school who has let it; be known that he will not be honouring the borough with his presence at the secondary education stage. Instead, he is being sent away to Daddy's old school, which I gather is some frightful jail of a place in deepest Dorset. His elder brother is already there and having what adults would probably refer to as a

uncharitably I know, that the sub-Sloanes could raise the tone of the place still further if they exiled themselves, as well as their children, on a permanent basis.

But to younger matters: Beatrix Potter is a good deal older than Great Aunt Sylvia ever will be, yet her humanized animals - or are they animalized humans? - grow fresher by the generation. Jemima is no mere duck who ploshed about the lanes of Far Sawrey in the days hefore the motor car. She is a universal type and we can find her gagled into all manner of frames and characters today.

For example, there is a very old woman in Orchard Road who really does seem to waddle and quack, and so my children have christened her Jemima. As she came towards us this morning on our way to school, my daughter was planning to hail her by this name. I tried to dissuade her by asking her how she would like it if a stranger came up to her and said "Hello Mrs Tittlemouse". But she just hooted with laughter and said it would be great fun. So much for the rational approach. Anyway, as we say the said of her came within a counter to the said of her came within a couple of yards of her, the old woman looked down, exclaimed "Hello Duckie!", and waddled on, leaving my daughter silent all the way to the school gate. A

I am not the only one to find contemporary relevance in the pages of Beatrix Potter. A friend suggests to me that Tabatha Twitchett is Mrs Thatcher to the life, and I hurry back to the text. Well, yes, there is T Twitchett berating Tom Kitten and his grubby playmates for coming unscrubbed to the tea table, and declaiming, with all the peak of a thwarted Euro-statesman, the words: "I am affronted!" Unfortunately this is not a political diary, but there is a

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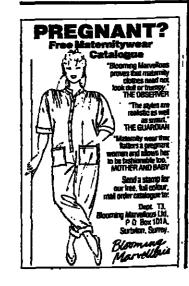


Shona Crawford Poole

It is a myth that summer is the best time for salads. True, there are home produced tomatoes and lettuces grown in real earth that, weather willing, will have soaked up a few real sunbeams too. And the most exciting tastes in herbs are summer ones, although some of the excitement may be on account of their seasonal scarcity.

By summer the whole endive family, from pale spears of chicory through ruby radicchio, to bright green frizzy, will have disappeared from greengrocers' counters and market stalls. Corn salad or lamb's lettuce, another winter treat, is nowhere





days all the year

round

to be seen. The fennel bulbs and fat red peppers imported from other people's summers are always hardest to come by when ours is at its height and an appetite for salad is universal.

Some of the best winter and year-round salads are first courses which can stand frequent repetition. Italian grocer shops and

delicatessens are the likeliest sources of fresh mozzarella cheese. The finest is said to be made in southern Italy from the milk of water buffalo, but the kind available here is invariably made from cows' milk. It has a smooth, bouncy texture which stops short of rubbery, and a clean, slightly sour taste. Mozzarella's special quality is to melt creamily on top of pizza. Uncooked, and served with sliced tomatoes, it is a marvellously fresh-tasting prelude 10 simply cooked pasta, or grilled

Mozzarella and tomato salad Serves two to three

3 ripe tomatoes I small, ripe avocado 170g (6oz) mozzarella For the dressing 4 tablespoons olive oil

1 teaspoon wine vinegar 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard Salt and freshly ground black

1 clove gartic, finely chopped

Dip the tomatoes briefly in boiling water to loosen the skins and peel them. Cut them in Cut the avocado in halves

and remove the stone and skin. Slice the flesh thickly. Cut the mozzarella in slices of a thickness compatible with the tomatoes and avocado. Arrange the sliced fruit and cheese attractively on individual plates. Combine the dress-ing ingredients and shake them

well together. Trickle the dressing generously over the salad and serve it with plenty of hot, crusty french bread. To vary this salad omit the avocado and sprinkle the cheese and tomatoes with a few slivers of salted anchovy, with small, pungent black olives or with



basil, but also coriander are

good, 100. The same thick, mustardy vinaigrette dressing used in the last recipe unites warm new potatoes and crunchy greenstuffs in a satisfyingly earthy salad. Alternatively, this simple combination of ingredients may be garnished with crisp chunks of smoked bacon, and the make a hot dressing. Chopped, hard-boiled egg is an additional garnish for either version.

450g (1lb) small new potatoes 1 clove gartic, peeled 1/2 head curly or frizzy endive, or a

For the dressing 110g (4oz) smoked streaky bacon, 2 tablespoons wine vinegar

Salt and freshly ground black

Scrub the potatoes and boil or steam them in their skins until they are tender. Rub a large bowl with a cut clove of garlic and add the drained potatoes to it. Keep

Put the chopped bacon in a cold pan and heat slowly, increasing the heat as the fat begins to melt. Cook until the bacon is crisp, then remove it with a slotted spoon and add it to the potatoes. Add the leaves to the salad bowi.

Sur the vinegar into the hot bacon fat, and season the dressing with salt (if needed) and plenty of black pepper. Pour the dressing over the salad and turn the greenstuff and potatoes in the dressing to coat them well.

on warm plates. Leeks vinaigrette may be capers. Fresh herbs, especially

served lukewarm or cold. For this dish the smallish lecks widely available now are particularly suitable. Leeks vinaigrette Serves four

680g (11/2lbs) young leaks For the dressing 2 hard-boiled egg yolks 1/4 teaspoon mustard Salt and freshly ground black

2 tablespoons wine vinegar 120ml (4fl oz) olive oil

Trim the roots and coarse outer leaves from the leeks so that the prepared vegetables are approximately equal in length and thickness. Slit each leek lengthwise to within a handspan of its base and wash.

Tie the leeks into three or four bundles - tape is better than string for the binding - and cook them for about 15 minutes, or until tender, in boiling salted water. Drain. Loosen the bundles and drain the leeks well before arranging them on plates.

Mix the crumbled egg yolks, mustard, salt, pepper and vinegar to a smooth paste then gradually mix in the oil to make a thick dressing. Check the seasoning and spoon the dressing over the leeks.

Really fresh mushrooms which are tightly shut have a crisp texture that has underexploited salad potential. Wipe the mushrooms clean and trim the stalks level with the caps before slicing them quite thinly. Serve the slices with two dressings. Salted creme fraiche

or soured cream, or fresh cream and yogurt mixed is one dressing. The second should be a vinaigrette made with fresh lemon juice. A little walnut oil, Serve the salad immediately mixed with an almost tasteless oil like peanut or sunflower oil. is particularly good.

of a bully "I hate school." FIRST Gemma spoke with such vehemence that

Under the shadow

I just don't care.

we all looked up in surprise. We were in the middle of Christmas dinner and school had been far

from the minds of everyone else. "I thought it looked a lovely school", said her grand-mother gently. "Why don't you like it?" But Gemma was not to be drawn, "I hate it", was all she would say.
Of course it is not unusual for

in Gemma's case was that she had always loved it and looked forward to it with an eagerness unequalled by almost any other activity. If she was unwell- I would say it was a school holiday, otherwise she would cry at being unable to go. The transition from playgroup to nursery school, and nursery to infants' school was accomplished without any kind of trauma, but during her first term-at infants we moved away from the area and within a week of starting at her new school she had developed a fear and dislike of it that we could not have imagined previously. In the mornings she would become quiet and withdrawn as we approached the school and when it was time for me to leave she would cling to my legs and cry in what seemed like

terror. Each afternoon I took to checking with the teacher on Gemma's progress for that day. She did not seem greatly happier during the rest of the day than at the start of it, but reasons for her unhappiness were not difficult to find and we were mostly agreed on what they were she had changed schools mid-term when other children had already settled and formed friendships; she had come from a school of only 150 infants to a primary twice that size and at which she was the youngest; she had lost contact with old friends and familiar surroundings; and she had recently had a small operation which we had been warned could leave her feeling depressed. So we consoled our-selves with the thought that Gemma's reaction was largely explicable.

But she did not settle down. Christmas came and went and with it went our hope that the new term would bring an improvement. If anything she was becoming more distressed. decided that if between us we could find no answer to Gemma's problems than I should have to consider taking her away.

It was several days before I

PERSON

could see the teachers and in the

Lynn Peters

meantime Gemma mentioned that she had cried at dinnertime and had been moved to a different seat. Why did the dinner lady move you?" I asked, puzzled. "Ricky kept upsetting me", she said. She rarely mentioned children by a child of four and a half to dislike school, but the odd thing name but I remembered hearing of Ricky before and as I pondered, various other unrelated incidents came to mind. "Don't you like Ricky?" I probed. "I hate him", she replied and after some persuasion added sorrowfully, "He

calls me pudding face". I knew that Ricky was not in her class so I wondered how she had come into contact with him. "He's on my table at dinner", she explained. I had not realized that the children had their seats allocated at meal times: always the same seat at the same table, so here was a perfect opportunity for an older child to intimidate a younger in a relatively unsupervised situation.

As an experiment I asked for Gemma to be moved to a different table. And the child I met at the school gates that afternoon was a changed personality. She was cheerful, excited to tell me the day's happenings, and for the first time began to talk with enthusiasm of the other children she knew. The following morning she cried briefly, the next day not at all. She let go of my hand voluntarily and was gone without a glance.

During this period I met with Gemma's teachers and I was staff were as concerned as I was to help Gemma scittle down and intended to monitor the situation Thankfully, I am now once

again the mother of a well adjusted and cheerful schoolchild but it was sheer chance that the solution came to light when it did and I wonder how long the problem might otherwise have persisted. I had thought that perhaps i

was at fault for not pressing Gemma more closely to discuss her fears but a friend who, as a young child, was the victim of bullying, tells me that this would probably not have worked. "It's not something you can bear to talk about", she told me.

it's too nainful and

too humiliating".

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Daring dramatist of the Depression

A superlative production of Clifford Odets's 1935 drama Awake and Sing! at the Berkeley Repertory Theater, across the bay from San Francisco, provides the latest instalment in the extraordinary revival of interest in the early work of this American dramatist laureate of those hideous depression years which followed the Wall Street crash of 1929. By last autum the phenomenon of this revival had attracted the attention of the New York weekly Variety, which reported productions of Rocket to the Hoon and The Country Girl in London, as well as American productions of Paradise Lost, Golden Boy and Night Music.

Odets died in 1963 -Hollywood, where he had long since turned his back on his early. revolutionary plays in favour of assembling screenplays which brought him a princely income but also, from more than one disappointed critic, the accusatory question, "Odets, where is thy sting?". His earlier plays, though, had marked a turning point in American theatre, and many had hailed him. of that time, as America's best dramatist since Eugene O'Neill. laier Arthur Miller and Tennessee Williams eclipsed him and only this current spate of revivals has brought him to the attention of an entire new

generation which probably had never even heard his name before.

Odets sprang amazingly full-panoplied directly from the head of that extraordinary New York theatrical collective known as The Group, which, under the leadership of Lee Strasberg and Harold Clurman, had introduced into America the Konstantin Stanislavsky method of acting and made major theatrical history for a single decade. Thereafter the siren song of Hollywood depleted its acting company and rising costs of production forced it out of business.

The literary agent who today handles Odets's works has her own theory about the revival of interest in his plays. "He spoke of hope." she says. "and I think people are eager for that kind of positive message, All his plays have a dark side, but he saw a favourable light and a life to reach for." Odets wrote of workingclass people battling with might and main to survive unprecedentedly hard economic times, and he implied that only revolution would bring salvation. He did in fact take the title of his first full-length play from Isaiah 26:19 ("Awake and sing. ye that dwell in dust!"), but behind it. unmistakably, rang the epochal apostrophe of Karl Marx.

Today, 49 years later, the Census Bureau in Washington has just

announced that 34,000,000 Ameri- Rewritten, as Awake and Sing, it cans subsisted below the poverty level in 1982. The very day Awake and Sing! opened at the Berkeley Rep. The Washington Post reported: "The nation's leading mayors told a House [of Representatives] sub-committee hearing that hunger and homelessness are increasing in most major cities...". Such facts make the current Odets's revival

perhaps not so remarkable after all. Odets, who had left school at 14. ioined The Group as an actor, but he first attracted attention, and smashingly, with his first play, in one act, Waiting for Lefty, set in a Taxi Drivers' Union meeting hall; by 1938 it had almost countless productions, all over the world, and Odets called it "a kind of light machine-gun that you wheeled in whenever there was a strike". (Later. in a parody entitled Waiting for Santy. S. J. Perelman distilled, in one sentence, the least felicitous side of Odets's style when he had his hero ardently declare to his girl "I got a belly full of moonbeams".) in 1932, sitting on the edge of his bed in the smallest, coldest room of "The Group Poorhouse", his portable typewriter on his knees, Odets had written a play. I Got the Blues. Harold Clumman read it and rejected it: he found it "too personal; too bitter, too doubled over with pain".

contained, in Alfred Kazin's words, the "lyric uplifting of blunt Jewish speech, boiling over and explosive" which would also characterize the subsequent plays Odets set in that Bronx milieu he had grown to know in childhood.

Joy Carlin. Acting Artistic Direc-tor of the Berkeley Rep, has staged a production which would grace any theatrical metropolis, one which exemplifies the extraordinary stan-dards which have made this company not only a regional but a national treasure. Irving Israel as the immigrant socialist grandfather. Suzanne Shepherd as the martriarch whom economic pressures have transformed into a fury, and Tony Amendola as Moe Axelrod, a wounded veteran of the First World War, stand out especially in an exemplary ensemble cast.
The San Francisco Bay area fairly

seethes at present with theatrical creativity. On the one hand, the adventurously experimental An-tenna Theater, which has appeared at the Holland Festival and in five German cities, has just taken a fascinating step with Annesia, in which each member of the limited audience, equipped with a Sony Walkman and earphones, proceeds to move through the play's environment and become directly involved,



Dinner at the Bergers' in Awake and Sing! including Irving Israel as Jacob (in braces) and Suzanne Shepherd as Bessie (far end of table)

possibilities.
On the other hand, sadly, the Berkeley Stage, another brilliant

together with the masked actors, in the dramatic story - a technological innovation of enormous future company, has just closed down for good. Its last productions included Soul Murder. a dazzling multimedia realization of the Schreber case" which Sigmund Freud made famous. Now the

company has died, a casualty of the same economic vice which crushed the life out of The Group - that experimental company without which we would probably never. have had Clifford Odets:

Opera.

Muti reveals the beauty and brilliance

I Capuleti e i Montecchi

Covent Garden

The mud Berlioz threw at I capulett e i Montecchi, Bellini's Romeo and Juliet opera, after a performance he happened to catch in Florence in the early 1830s, certainly stuck. After riling against casting Romeo as a mezzo Berlioz complained, among other things, that there was no ball at the Capulets', no Mercutio, no nurse, no balcony, "no Shakespeare, nothing - a wasted opportunity". These are among the reasons, apart from the difficulty of casting the two major roles, why Bellini's work has not been seen at Covent Ciarden since 1848.

Fortunately it has returned in performance that is so distinguished musically that a great deal of the Berlioz mud is likely to be washed away. The cleanser-in-chief is Riccardo Muti, who puts the lie once and for all to the assertion that Bellini was a weak and slipshod orchestrater. (That belief has been fostered by the all-too-frequent practice been placing Bellini's operasing apart, into the hands of second rank conductors.) Muti is a conductor of the very first rank and after an overture taken as a pace ferocious enough to en-danger the orchestra's wifer and limb, he settled to reveal the beauties of Bellini's scope, the greatest of which are size be lound among the passages for

celles, homs and classes. They are hearifully in the case of quantity which means very eloquent indeed, in the preludes to those arias and duets Bellini gives to his Romeo and Giulietta.

The lead into Giulietta's physical terms these two had to opening Cavatina. "Oh quante come from separate Veronese opening Cavatina. "Oh quante volte" the most familiar number in the score, set the highest standard for orichestral playing and that was maintained for the rest of the evering. The solo instruments, especially the horns, were on their very best behavioure from Mut's constant feel for the parks, of the music, a suave silkmess which never falls into the trap of languor. The only regret was that a couple of vears ago Covent Garden failed to net Muti as their next music director while La Scala only last week succeeded.

However, Covent Garden and take the gredit for resisting any temptation to resisting any temptation to see a temptation to the parts of a failed and the parts of singers as failed and the parts of singers as failed and the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to provide the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to provide the parts of singers as failed and the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the operationed around Europe and the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the capture of the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed and the green failed to the parts of singers as failed to the parts of singers as failed to the parts of singers as failed to the volte", the most familiar num-



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ambassador, one of the few improbabilities in Romani's compact adaptation for Bellini of one of his earlier libretti. Thereafter her interpretation was beyond reproach. The tigure was intense and brooding. a little like Mrs Patrick Campbell in one of her meatier roles, in love here with but one woman, for there is no hint of Rosaline. The darkness of the tones, consistent throughout the register, made nonsense of those

who argue for a tenor Romeo. Covent Garden will be lucky to hear a better individual per-The one tenor among the principals was Dano Raffanti, a. roly-poly, clean-voiced performer not very Tebaldo-like in a role which does not offer much opportunity after his aria is completed. Pavarotti, though.

Sixties Capulen. Gwynna seized them all It is to be hoped Howell and John Tomlinkows thin a record company is there were thoroughly respectable in the wings taking everything the head of the Capulets and down.

Lorenzo, here no friar but juic John Higgins the family physician.

tedly late debut at the Opera t'uccise", in which Romeo. Pier-Luigi Pizzi provided his House and Agges Baltsa, arrives at the Capulets dis lown sets, which took a very Grubesper Schulette is a fluffy guised as the Montagues vertical view of Verona; polished marble pillars gilded at head and foot which moved according to the location, a glimpse of well-trimmed cypresses, huge and amplewell-trimmed buttocked guardian angles at Giulietta's tomb. It was a highly polished classical view of a romantic story, which is the property of Italy as well as Shakespeare. His staging was equally formal, with a refusal to put false action into a fairly static opera. As such it was thoroughly musical and a mirror reflection of Bellini's

> There are weaknesses in Cuputett, of course. A lack of croticism for one. Bellini's reluctance to respond to what Pougin, one of the composer's carliest biographers, called the vituations pathetiques. But the rewards for mezzo, soprano and thought it worthwhile singing orchestra are tremendous and during some of those unide. Baltsa. Gruberova and Muti urchestra are tremendous and

who get the blame is enshrined in song, and to this lamentable truth Stephen Fagan's comedy Under the Hammer, on BBC! last night, only appeared to add the rider that subservience does not help. This play, which poked around the potential for venality in a London art dealer's did much to raise optimism about Play for Today. which seemed bent on continuing depression.

Mr Fagan has an acute ear for dialogue on both sides of the tracks. On the one hand there were the mannered, coded exchanges between the gallery's managing director (Michael Aldridge) and its chief art experi (James Maxwell); on the other the equally mannered and

Codes of conduct

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The gallery was on the eve of a major sale with an impending Royal visit and a suspect Van Gogh, whose status was further threatened when it received a damaging kick by the head porter (Peter Vaughan), a man who knew his station, in the course of a row with a communist colleague (Robert Putt). What followed was a conspiracy to ensure that all was well on the day, which involved the surreptitious services of an

Bayliss. He saved the day but not the head porter's job.

It was very funny indeed, the humour sustaining the tricky introduction of a Princess Di lookalike. All the cast were splendid and Richard Wilson's direction took skilful advantage Mr Fagan's invention. Michael Wearing produced.

BBC2's Arena gave us Jerry Lee Lewis, who first told us that there was a Whole Lot of Shakin' Going On in the Fifties and was then shown in action. coded communications between eccentric but brilliant art re- Now 47, he is still shaking and

contributions of the Philharmo-

Before this work, we heard

two contrasting but equally

outmoded approaches to Bach.

The Fifth Brandenburg Con-

certo, which Davis directed

from the harpsichord, was

adequately scaled down but

received a rather shoddy per-

the Brahms they produced the

spacious phrasing and warm-

nia Chorus and Orchestra.

though the years have fled, he can still afford plants severe chastisement,

His renowned eccentricity has suffered no diminution. He manufests this not only is his incomprehensible asides to his audience and colleagues and, in. this performance, by suddenly hurling away his glasses—he might call them shades—to reveal a pair of eyes that told their own story.

Those who seek to soothe their savage breasts by things other than "Chantilly Lace" and Great Balls of Fire" might well have found themselves too mesmerized by this manic display to lumble for the remote control and seek calmer waters.

Dennis Hackett

Concerts

Capturing the imaginative moment

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accelerando emerges as the cello labours and bites against the piano's percussive promptings.

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Philharmonia/Davis Festival Hall

Elgar's Coronation Ode for Edward VII is rarely heard these days, and so we had good reason to be grateful to the Friends of the Philharmonia for sponsoring this resurrection of the work under Andrew Davis's fervent direction. A period piece of stirring patriotism the work may be, but it contains some excellent music. The opening chorus, "Crown the King with life", for example, is almost symphonic in pro-

At a pianist's debut recital one hardly expects to hear a work with saxophone replacing the central piece of the programme. in a barely hour-long concert the Lebanese pianist Walid Howrani substituted his own. Evolica for Rachmaninov's Corelli Variations. Much as I was impressed by Linda Frye Chaikin's saxophone-playing. I did not think that the rest of the programme warranted such a change.

Beethoven's C major Sonata, Op 2 No 3, was uninspired and

from The Magic Lutoslawski, attention was turn-;

portion, going far beyond the apparent requirements of A. C. Benson's text. "The Queen" "Daughter of Ancient Kings", the two hymns that follow, are wonderfully reflec-tive, entirely devoid of bombast, while the final "Land of

Hope and Glory" makes the original seeting of that tune in the first Pomp and Circumstance march seem artificial. This performance did the music an admirable service. Of the quartet of solo singers. Maldwyn Davies and Isobel

Buchanan alternated magically "Hark upon the hallowed while Buchanan and London debuts

nical accomplishment in L'Isle joreuse was undeniable

Intrusion

The British violinist Abiguil Rushworth, on the other hand, if a little erratic, still managed to convey a well-schooled musicianship and a flair for her instrument. Her recital was built around Brahms's D minor Sonata and Bach's G minor seto often mannered and a Debussy group lacked both colour and poetic refinement (though technology technology). Sonata. Michael Dussek contributed piano accompaniments that had a stabilizing effect. In

introducing Thommessen's essentially traditional in piece Please accept my ears

James Methuen-Campbell

accelerando emerges as the cello gently shifted the work out of themselves, then in the Brahms

Anf il in the Beethoven and Sunday at 195 pm on Radio 3.

Hilary Finch

Alfreda Hodgson were a subformance, with Raymond lime duet in the first charus. Ovens's violin playing suffering And Brian Rayner-Cook manfrom poor intonation. Kenneth Smith's flute from lack of fully did what was necessary in "Britain, ask of thyself", whose character, and the whole from bellicose naivety today seems inordinately seamless phrasing. rather tasteless. Strongth and subtlety abounded, too, in the

Given with much larger forces, the cantata Herz und Mund und Tat und Leben took us back to the days when it was thought better to obscure Bach's counterpoint, despite some graceful solo singing and the ine obbligatos of Gordon Hunt's oboe d'amore and John Wallace's trumpet.

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characters are compulsive losers torn straight from the pages of pop pulp.

As a songwriter Hiatt has few peers in America. Quite apart from his understanding of R & B, a rich vein of the sleazier

Al Green, yet these reference that approach, but it was the points are expanded upon assisted his best disenchanted through his own writing style, a strategy like She Loves the razor-sharp combination of Jarks and Say It With fictional drama and bitter-sweet Flowers that took Histi and romance. His most memorable his band into sublime overdrive. It is absurd that John Hiatt remains a cult figure when his writing should be gracing the mainstream. Bring him back soon, please.

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Solicitors' restrictive covenant not unreasonable

Bridge v Deacons Before Lord Faser of Tullybelton, Lord Wilberforce, Lord Scarman, Lord Roskill and Lord Templeman Judgment delivered March 261

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council held that a covenant in a solicitors' partnership agree-ment whereby a partner who ceased to be a partner was restricted for five years thereafter from acting as a solicitor in Hongkong for any chent of the firm at the time he ceased to he a partner or during the preceding three years, was enforceable against firm, and it was not unenforceable as being in unreasonable restraint of

Their Lordships disagreed with observations made by Lord Denning Master of the Rolls, in Oswald Hickson Collier & Cox Caner-Ruck (unreported) in the Court of Appeal on January 20, 1982.

Their Lordships dismissed an appeal by the defendant, Mr Robin appeal by the derendant, Mr Koein M. Bridge, from a decision of the Court of Appeal of Hongkong on May 3, 1985, who dismissed an appeal by the defendant from the judgment of Mr Justice Hunter, who had granted the plaintiff firm, Deacons, an interlocutory injunc-tion restraining the defendant from acting contrary to the provisions of

Sir Patrick Neill, QC and Mr Paul Andrew Smith for the defendant; Mr Leonard Hoffmann, OC and Mr Richard McCombe for the plaintiff

LORD FRASER said that the question was whether a restrictive covenant in a partnership agreement between partners in a firm of solicitors was enforceable against one of their number who had ceased to he a partner, or whether it was unenforceable as being in unreason-

able restraint of trade. It was well established law that covenants in restraint of trade were unenforceable unless they could be shown to be reasonable in the interests of the parties, affording no more than adequate protection, and

in the public interest.
It had come to be accepted that certain types of contract which imposed a measure of interference with the freedom of trade were treated as not being within the field of restraint of trade, provided that the degree of interference did not exceed the accepted standard.

One such type was the type of contract where a man sold his husiness with its goodwill and accepted a limitation on his right to compete. The justification for that limitation was that it enhanced the price which the vendor could obtain

for his business.

Even in contracts of that type it necessary to consider whether the restrictions on the vendor of the goodwill were fairly and properly ancillary to the sale, and if they

imposed on former employees. Only sible for it.

in such cases much more limited restrictions were normally enforce-able, and if their effect would merely able, and it their energy would merely be to protect the employer from competition from his former employee they would be invalid unless the circumstances were

The agreement in the present case, being one between partners, did not conform exactly to either of those types, although it had some resemblance to both. A decision on whether the restrictions in this agreement were enforceable or not could not be reached by attempting to place the agreement in any particular category, or by seeking for the category to which it was most closely analogous.

The proper approach was that adopted by Lord Reid in Esso Petroleum Co Ltd 1 Harper's Garage (Stourport) Ltd ([1968] AC 269, 301), to ascertain what were the legitimate interests of the plaintiff firm which it was entitled to protect, and whether the retaining were and whether the restraints were more than adequate for that purpose. What were the plaintiff's legitimate interests would depend largely on the nature of the business, and on the position of the defendant

in the firm The plaintiff was one of the oldest and largest firms of solicitors in Hongkong. At the time these pro-ceedings began it had 27 partners and employed 49 assistant solici-

The defendant began his con-exten with the firm in 1967 when he entered its employment as an assistant solicitor. He had no previously practised as a solicitor in Hungkong. He became a salaried partner in July 1973, and was admitted a full capital partner on April 1, 1974, when he was aged April 1, about 31,

He worked generally for several partners, but fairly soon he began working for one partner. Mr Turnbull, and he developed a growing interest in intellectual and industrial property law and in the

law relating to trade marks. That was an area of the firm's practice which had been growing during the 1960s. The growth continued during the 1970s partly because industrial design copyright became actionable in Hongkong in

The defendant's invitation to torn the firm as a salaried partner was given in expectation, which was fulfilled, that Mr Turnbull would the following year become a senior partner and the defendant would then become the partner responsible

for that part of the practice.

An important feature of the case was that the firm was divided into a number of departments, largely scparate from each other. The division had occurred as a result of the great expansion in the practice over about the past 20 years.

restraint of trade might be applied.

The other type of contract was specifically assigned to the pariner imposed on former employees.

Consequently each partner's whose work he was generally knowledge of the firm's business responsible by, for instance, files tended to be concentrated on his having been opened bearing refer-

own department.
The industrial property department was moved in about July 1981 to a separate suite of offices on a different floor. The defendant was thus physically, to some extent, cut off from the other departments. The evidence was that he had only acted for those clients of the firm who made use of the intellectual and industrial property department.

In 1981 the total delivered bills of the firm was approximately HK\$132.000,000 of which only about 4.5 per cent was attributable to that department. About 10 per cent of the total number of files was marked as being the responsibility of the defendant

Thus he had no connexion or dealings with over 90 per cent of the firm's clients, and, as he claimed, he had no advantage over any other solicitor in seeking to attract their business.

In those circumstances it was contended on behalf of the defendant that the plaintiff was not entitled to protection against him acting for clients of the firm for whom he had never acted while he was a partner, and that the plaintiff was only entitled to protect such part of its goodwill as would be threatened by him if he were to set up practice on his own account, and that part consisted only of the business which he was advan-tageously placed to attract because it came from clients for whom he had acted and to whom he was known,

Their Lordships did not accept firm, as constituted from time to time, were the owners of the firm's whole assets, including its most valuable asset: goodwill.

The defendant had owned a share of the assets while he was a partner, but he transferred his share to the continuing partners when he ceased o be a partner.

The question was whether it was reasonable, as between the parties, for the plaintiff to obtain protection against appropriation by the defendant of any part of the goodwill, notwithstanding the departmentalization" of the prac-

It was reasonable provided that the protection did not extend beyond the plaintiff's practice, and that had not been suggested.

The mutuality of the contract was a most important consideration. The contract applied equally to all the partners. None of them could tell whether he might find himself in a position of being a retiring partner subject to the restriction, continuing partner with an interest to enforce the restriction.

it was suggested on behalf of the defendant that a restriction which would have been reasonable between the parties would have been one restricting a retiring partner from acting for clients for whom he had personally acted or for

ence to his name.

But a restriction on those lines might well be difficult to apply, particularly in the case of a client who had sought advice from several partners at different times on a variety of matters,

Moreover it might work unfairly in the case of a partner who had acted only for a small number of clients, perhaps very large clients whose husiness took up practically his whole time, as compared with another partner with a large number

of relatively small clients.

The fundamental error in that part of the argument for the defendant was that it overlooked the fact that the firm had one single practice in which each of the partners had an interest.

They shared in the profits and losses of the partnership, and each stood to benefit to some extent from the success of each of the others in attracting clients. It might be possible that a partnership could exist in which the partners' interests were so separated as to make an agreement such as that in the present case unreasonable, but this

was not such a case.

The restriction included persons who had been clients within the previous three years. That was perfectly reasonable having regard to the intermittent nature of a solicitor's employment by any particular client. There must be many regular clients of a solicitor's employ that firm even as often as

once every three years. The five years' limitation was also in no way unreasonable. There appeared to be no reported case where a restriction which was otherwise reasonable had been held to be unreasonable solely because of

its duration. Some weight should be given to the fact that the restriction was found in a partnership agreement which had evidently been carefully drafted and which must be taken to represent the views of experienced solicitors who would be well aware that an unduly severe restriction would be unenforceable.

One further argument against the reasonableness of the restriction, as between the parties, turned on the alleged inadequacy of the consideration provided for in the agreement. The amount paid to a retiring partner in respect of goodwill was merely nominal and was in no way related to its real value having regard to the large profits earned by the firm. It might well be that the defendant's share of the goodwill was not sold for its market value in cash, but that was immeterial. It passed to the continuing partners not by a sale for a cash consideration in 1983, but as part of the contract made in 1974.

The adequacy of the considercontract as between the parties had to be judged in 1974. At that date the defendant received 5 per cent share in the partnership business and all its assets, including goodwill. In return he agreed to various conditions, one of which was that he

would transfer his share in the buiness, including goodwill, to the continuing partners when he retired, and would thereafter not compete The value placed upon goodwill in 1974 and in 1984 might have been only nominal but there were good reasons for treating it in that way. One reason was to avoid the need to value it on each occasion,

and thus to avoid much trouble and new capital partner joined a large firm he was not normally in a position to pay the full market value of his share of the goodwill, and the only practicable system was to charge him a nominal sum, it was therefore reasonable that when a

partner retired he should receiv only a nominal sum for his share of Accordingly the restriction was not unreasonable between the parties by reason of the consideration paid to the defendant having been inadequate.

On the question of reasonable ness in the public interest, there was a clear public interest in facilitating the assumption by established solicitors firms of younger men as partners. It benefited clients by parties to secure continuity in the practice. It also tended to encourage the entry of younger men into the

Their Lordships accepted the evidence that the continuing partners in the plaintiff firm would have felt able to take on new capital partners only if they knew that in doing so they would not run the risk that the new partners would acquire a connection with clients of the firm and then depart with that part of the

Conversely the new capital partners in the firm were required to purchase their share of its goowill, but they could not reasonably be expected to do that if a retiring partner could freely remove part of the goodwill. Accordingly the restriction was reasonable in the

In Oswald Hickson Collier & Co v Currer Ruck (unreported) decided in the (English) Court of Appeal on January 20, 1982, according to the transcript, Lord Denning, Master of

the Rolls, referring to a provision in a solicitors' partnership agreement that a retiring partner should not act for any clients of the firms said: "I cannot see that it would be proper for a clause to be inserted in partnership deed preventing one of the partners from acting for a client in the future. It is contrary to public policy because there is a fiduciary relationship between

"The client ought reasonably to be entitled to the services of such solicitor as he wishes. That solicitor confidential information available to him. It would be contrary to public policy if the solicitor were prevented from acting for him by a clause of this kind."

Lord Justice Kerr and Lord Justice May agreed with him.

If those dicta were intended to state a general rule, their Lordships must respectfully but emphatically decline to agree with it. It was unsupported by authority, and appeared to have been made without any reference to the fact that it was directly contrary to a considerable volume of authority including a decision of the House of

Lords in Fitch v Dewes ([1921] 2 AC It was also unjustified in principle. For one thing a solicitor was always (except to some extent in legal aid cases) entitled to refuse to act for a particular person, and it was difficult to see any reason why he should not be entitled to bind himself by contract not to act in future for a particular group of

including a decision of the House of

For another thing, the relation-ship of solicitor and client was not unique in being confidential. The relationships of medical men with their patients and of many other onal men with their clients

If there were a general rule that they could not bind themselves not to act for former clients of the firm after they had retired from a partnership, the results would be very far reaching. It had to be remembered that the clients were clients of the firm, rather than of an

individual paraner. Those and other objections to treating the dicts in the Canter-Ruck case as being of general application were pointed out by Mr Justice Walton in Edwards v Wortoys (unreported) on March 18, 1983, and in that case in the Court of Appeal on March 25, 1983, Lord Justice Dillon and Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls. both treated the obiter dicta in the Carter-Ruck case as not being of

general application. Their Lordships agreed with that view. Their Lordships recommended that the appeal should be dismissed

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No costs for appellant

Lau Sik-Chun v The Queen The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council would not award a successful appellant in a criminal matter before the Board costs against the prosecution save in exceptional circumstances.

The Judicial Committee (Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Wilberforce, Lord Edmund-Davies, Lord Scarman and Lord Bridge of Harwich) on March 26, gave reasons for advising that an appeal the sense that the law had been from the Court of Appeal of wrongly applied. Accordingly, no Hongkong which had affirmed the award of costs would be approriate.

appellent's murder conviction, be LORD BRIDGE said that their Lordships had been told that the costs had been provided by the appellant and his father, who were

both of limited means. No exceptional circumstances could be, nor were, suggested, and no fault in bringing the case could be attributed to the prosecution. It was merely a question of a conviction which had gone wrong in the sense that the law had been

Proof of unlicensed use not necessary

D (a Minor) v Yates Before Lord Justice Kerr and Mr Justice McNeill

[Judgment delivered March 26] The offence of using an apparatus for wireless telegraphy without a licence, contrary to section 1(1) of the Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949, was committed where the set was available for use at any time and it was unnecessary to prove that the set had been used or that the defendant intended to use it.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held and dismissed the defendant's appeal from the dismissal by Manchester Crown Court (Judge Kershaw and a justice) of her appeal against conviction of an offence that between November 13. 1982, and November 20, 1982, the dant did use a Superstar 360 FM CB transcriver without a Mr Christopher Pearson for the defendant Mr Anthony Morris for

the prosecutor.

LORD JUSTICE KERR said that ection 1(!) was also applicable to

television licences. The crown court, having considered the evidence, was not sure that the defendant had operated the set between November 13 and 20 but was sure that during that period

she kept the set readily available for operation and intended to use it if the occasion arose.

The sole issue was whether to applicable or affence under the establish an offence under the section of having used an apparatus, it was necessary for the prosecution to establish that the set was switched

on and transmitting and receiving during those dates.

The crown court concluded that "use" in that section, and that it would be virtually impossible to obtain a conviction if the operator had to be apprehended at the time

Even without reference to the defendant's state of mind. that is, her intention to use the set in the future. the offence had been established by the fact that the set was available for immediate use at any time.

The word "use" should be given a broad and sensible interpretation of being available for use. It was going too far to require proof that the se was being used at the time. Mr Justice McNeill agreed.

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between January and December

1981 Mr Berry had made a quantity of electronic timers designed for use

by terrorists in the construction of

time-bombs, and exported them to the Middle East. His defence was

that he had never knowingly dealt with terrorists and that, as far as he

was aware, the timers were not made for any terrorist purpose.

Sweeney, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant: Mr David Cocks, QC and Mr Henry Green for the Crown.

Mr Roy D. Amlot and Mr Nigel

Explosives UK limit The prosecution had alleged that

Regina v Berry Before Lord Justice Dunn, Mr

Justice Stocker and Mr Justice Jupp Lludgment delivered March 261 The offence under section 4 of the

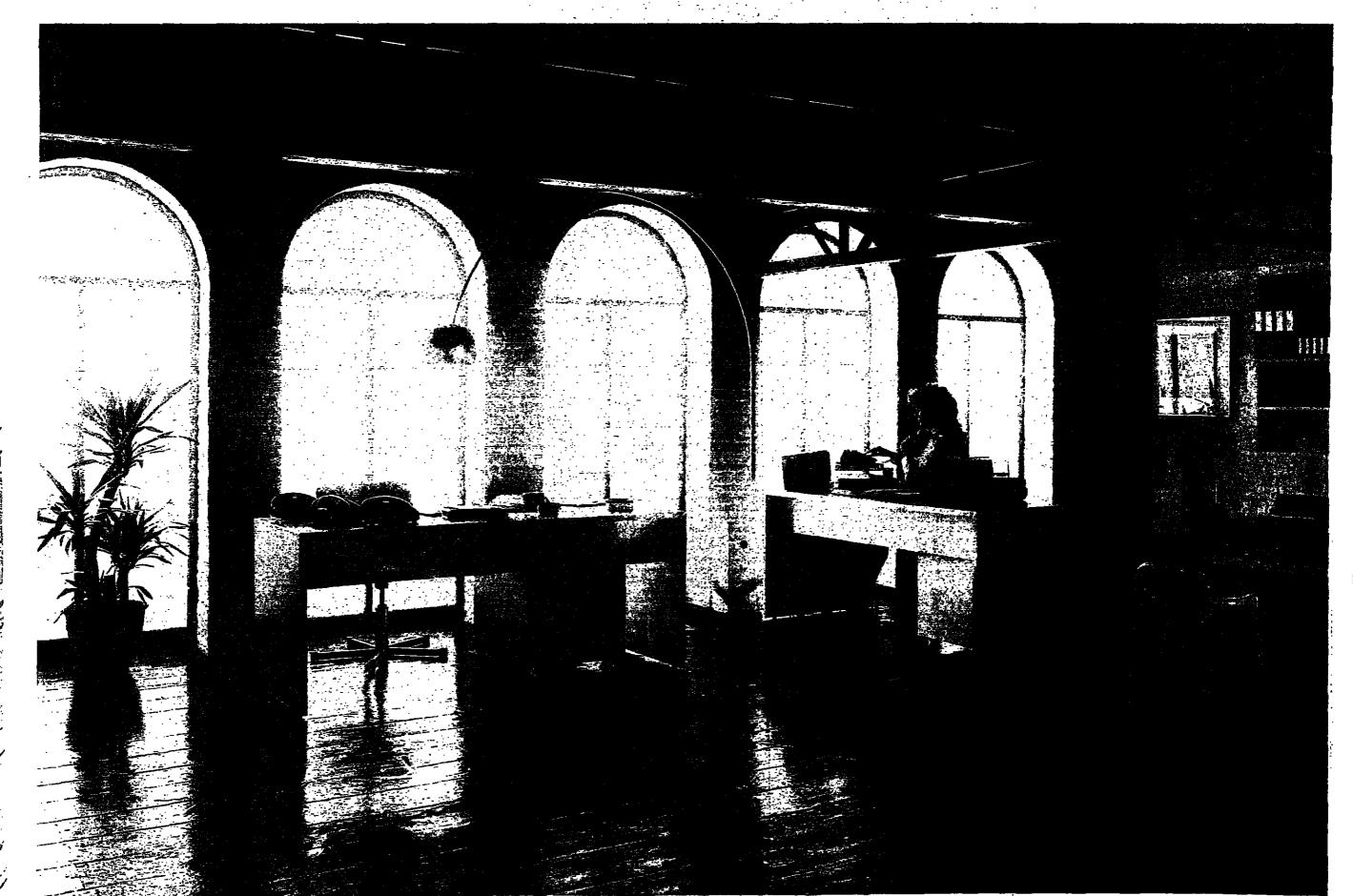
not prohibit the manufacture here of explosive substances to be used for unlawful object outside the The Court of Appeal allowed an appeal by John Rodney Francis
Berry and quashed his conviction

on May 24, 1983 in Chelmsford Crown Court (Judge Greenwood) of making explosive substances in to section 4 of the 1883 Act. for which he had been sentenced to cight years' imprisonment.

LORD JUSTICE DUNN, giving the judgment of the court, said that the trial judge had fallen into error in directing the jury to consider the purpose for which the timers were to be used abroad, in particular in saying that it mattered not where the explosions were going to take place, whether in this country or elsewhere.

Their Lordships were of opinion that there were statutory provisions which would effectively prohibit the manufacture of explosives in this country for use abroad, but section 4 of the 1883 Act was not one of them. It might be that the section should be looked at in the proper place, but that was not a matter for their Lordships.

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THE TIMES **DIARY**

Old Mark's good home

The Courtauld Institute was yesterday accused of currying favour with the Government by lending Mrs Thatcher nine of its works to hang in fier Chequers home. The disclosure of the two-year loan, confirmed vesterday by No 10, comes only weeks after the Government announced a £50.000 donation towards the institute's £3m move to Somerset House. The claim was made by Courtauld students who resent being denied access to the paintings, which were handpicked for Mrs Thatcher by Sir Geoffrey Agnew, chairman of Agnew's the London art dealers, and Lord Campbell of Eskan. They include works by Pissarro. Alan Ramsay, Henry Raeburn, Winifred Nicholson and Bloomsbury set members Roger Fry and Vanessa Bell.

Yesterday Dr Dennis Farr. director of the Courtauld, denied his students' accusation: Chequers seemed a "good home" for the pictures because only 40 per cent of works can be hung until the move. Meanwhile Mrs Thatcher, who was at pains to show off the Wellington and Nelson portraits in Downing Street to the United States Falklands negotiator. Alexander Haig, should take even greater pleasure showing off her Pissarro. Its title: "Old Mark's Field."

O The Royal Society of Health is to stage a conference called "Contra-ception Today" in Baden-Powell linuse, the scouting movement's HQ. on April 18. Wholly appropriate, given the old motto.

Pot and kettle

Inspired. I suspect, by the Oman affair, Peter Preston. The Guardian's editor, is now proposing to set up a register of his journalist's interests. documenting their contracts and outside directorships. His plan, which he hopes to write into the house agreement, had been rejected yesterday by the paper's union branch on the finer details of access to the register. "It is a very low level and quiet thing", said Preston, "No story, No big deal," Indeed.

The Raj rages on

Level in the Crown to run, British Fai addicts will be alarmed by the threat that now hangs over yet another Indian epic — The Bengal Lunery. The director Stephen Weeks is incensed with the film's basing Making M backer. Mahmoud Sipra, who recalled three of the cast, Michael York, Trevor Howard and Miles O'Kecfe, from only two weeks on location in India, because, alleges Sipra, of faulty film footage, Weeks denies the charge, insisting the film is near perfection. Yesterday he swore never to work with Sipra again. Indeed, he has found a new backer, whom he refused to name, and plans to return to India to finish filming after the monsoons. Sipra. who has already spent \$2.5m on the project has other ideas. "Weeks can shout from the top of the Empire State Building that he intends to continue, but the only way that will happen is if he writes a cheque and buys me out."



Full circle

for a dramatic opening. The 7:84 theatre company, of which he is a director, is to stage the debut of its trade union-linanced play about the Tolpuddle martyrs, The Six Men of Dorset, in Cheltenham, Curiously, the original 1934 version of the production was commissioned by the TUC after intense pressure by the Cheltenham branch of the Transport and General Workers'

Second course

Hazard in SW11

As architects prepare to present [1] schemes for the Battersea Power Station at the local Arts Centre next Wednesday, Cedric Price, who designed the London Zoo aviary with Lord Snowdon, tells me of his brainchild. Since it costs £16m alone to prop up the station's walls, he believes the whole building should be demolished, leaving only the four chimneys and the overhead masonry which have to be seen as a "natural hazard". Battersea residents have different ideas: some see their power station as an aircraft hangar, and others a Roman Catholic church. .

South Africa: closer but not quite

Has South African sport changed enough to justify ending its international ostracism and sending out a rugby touring team this summer? That should be the question at the top of the agenda for Friday's meeting of England's rugby officials - not whether changes have occurred. Clearly, there is now a degree of mixed sport which would not have been tolerated in 1969-70 when an allwhite rugby tour of Britain was placed under siege by demonstrators.

However, as Tommy Bedford, the vice-captain of that Springbok side, has since argued, the opportunities recently opened up for black players would not have come without the protests and boycotts. Along with South Africa's heart transplant professor, Christiaan Barnard, and even its white rugby supremo. Dr Danie Craven, Tommy Bedford has publicly conceded that the changes are the direct result of the South African authorities being brought hard up against the reality of isolation.

Previous decades of building bridges had only seen the position of black sport deteriorate as the net of apartheid was tightened ever more closely around the country's sport. But what have these changes added up to? Some black sports organizations have been allowed to affiliate to the dominant white bodies, which in the past have enjoyed exclusive international links. For instance, the black South African Rugby Association and the coloured (mixed race) South African Rugby Federation are now affiliated to Danie Craven's white South African Rugby Board (SARB).

Typically, however, these two non-white bodies are outnumbered on SARB's governing council by 22 white provincial affiliates. Morcover, the genuinely non-racial South

Peter Hain argues for the postponement of the England tour planned for this summer

African Rugby Union, with by far the largest number of black players, refuses to participate in this pale reflection of apartheid, pointing out that a few "Uncle Toms" in mainly white teams have not altered the essentially racist nature of South African rugby. Indeed progress in rugby has lagged well behind other sports, such as

cricket and soccer. Clubs in all sports are still overwhelmingly segregated. Facilities for whites far surpass those for blacks. School sports remain rigidly separate, with the government insisting that even the minimal concessions given to adults will not apply to

About 1 per cent of the country's sport has been integrated. Apartheid laws still govern the smallest details of sporting life. The notorious "pass laws" restrict blacks from travelling freely to away matches, or tournaments outside their home area. Black sports administrators, like cricket's Hassan Howa, are denied passports to travel to Britain to put their case. Legislation determines whether competitors can play on grounds in areas designated for other races (so that one white rugby star. "Cheeky" Watson, has been arrested for trying to play in a black township outside Port Elizabeth). Despite some legal changes allowing "bona fide" (ie, government-approved) sports activity to circumvent racial laws, South Africa remains internationally unique in having its sport so closely controlled by a

political system which enforces discrimi-

So what should be done? When Danie Craven paid me a private visit in 1977, our mutual preconceptions of each other as bogy figures melted away in constructive dis-cussion on ways to resolve South Africa's sports impasse. We agreed that his government must be persuaded to introduce legislation which would exempt sport from all apartheid's restrictions, and make it illegal to have racially exclusive clubs and segregated school sport.

Seven years later, the politicians in charge have still not done that, and they will not do so unless pressure is maintained. Release it. through a visit such as the English rugby tour, and they will feel no incentive to make the massive changes still needed.

If English rugby honestly and sincerely has the interests of South African rugby at heart - rather than merely a selfish desire to enjoy the fruits of its lavish white hospitality - then its leaders will postpone the planned tour not cancel it, but postpone it until such time as the government wholeheartedly embraces the spirit of non-racial sport.

Such a decision could actually strengthen the hands of those white sports officials such as Danie Craven who want more changes. And the next item on their agenda should be an invitation to Mr Ebrahim Patel, general secretary of the non-racial South African Rugby Union, to visit England, Despite being the leader of black rugby, his views have so far not been heard.

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Clifford Longley looks at the problem of senior Anglican appointments







Reluctant bishops? John Habgood, centre, in Bishopsthorpe Palace; David Jenkins and wife, top left; the Archbishop of Canterbury, bottom

left; Patrick Rodger, top right, and John Howe

The Church of England is apparently having increasing difficulty filling its top positions with the men it wants. It has become acceptable, with no loss of face or reprimand, for an archdeacon, dean, suffragan bishop or theology professor to decline an invitation to fill a vacant-Sec. and as a result some senior positions have been filled by the church's second - .

or third or lourth - choice.

Cardinal Basil Hume, had he been an Anglican, would never have become Archbishop of Canterbury. When offered the top position in this country in his own church, the Archbishopric of Westminster, it took a personal interview with Pope Paul VI and a direct order, to persuade him. Refusal would be "disobedience to Christ's command", the Pope told him. The ecclesiastical appointments office at 10 Downing Street does not use that kind of language.

Appointments to bishopries in the Church of England are handled nowadays by the Crown Appointments Commission, which has a majority of elected and ex-officio members representing the church's national interest; and a minority. changed for each appointment. representing the diocese. It sends two names to the Prime Minister, in order of preference. When it was set up in 1977 there were widespread fears that it would be open to lobbying and subject to leaks. mischievous and otherwise. In fact its security has been excellent, and only gradually is it filtering down to

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designed to be solved by people in

railway carnages with no diction-

uries to hand. The exception to this

is the Eliminator puzzle for the

Collins Dictionaries Times Cross-

word Championship (Puzzle No: 16,385 which appeared on March

22), which is meant to be difficult

for all solvers, including the scholar

Solvers (whole or partial) who

have qualified for the Bristol and

London regional finals will be

informed as soon as the checking of

the entries has been completed. The

explanations of the Eliminator clues

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m his study.

Hard-to-fill houses of the Lord the rest of the church that some vacancies have not been easy to fill.

The commission itself answers all inquiries about its work with "No comment". Nevertheless the long gap between the announcement that Dr John Habgood was moving from Durham to York and the announcement that Professor David Jenkins was being

appointed to replace him - from July last year to March this year has given further weight to this impression. The Bishop of Durham has to live in Auckland Castle, said to have about 100 rooms and to be not the most attractive place for a hishop's wife to set up home, and it would hardly be surprising if some wives were reluctant to see their

husbands make such a move.

A is widely known that the present Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, turned down the offer of the Archbishopric of York when he was Bishop of St Alban's -one of three who declined it - and his recent biography by Mrs Margaret Duggan (Runcie, the Making of an Archbishop, Hodder and Sloughton) records that Mrs Runcie's "horror" of the palace in York was one of the reasons. In this

willing to adapt their lives entirely to their husband's careers, and this is undoubtedly one of the factors making the Crown Appointment Commission's work more difficult. It is no longer uncommon for a churchman's wife to have a career of her own, which anchors her geographically to one area. .

So far there has been no firm evidence that the See of Durham was offered to anyone else: the Commission, the office at 10 Downing Street, and the individuals approached may be the only ones who know. But apart from that and from the case of York (which apparently was declined by Bishop John Howe, then chief executive of the Anelican Communion, as well as the then Bishop of Manchester, the Rt Rev Patrick Roger) it appears that more recent appointments to Worcester and to Newcastle were certainly offered to others before the present incumbent accepted. Also it is generally believed that the two Chadwick brothers - Sir Owen Chadwick and Professor Henry hadwick - have declined more than one offer each.

One clerical wag - not to be believed - said the Chadwicks had taken to turning them down by printed postcard. But these fairly well-attested cases apart. there are persistent rumours of other individuals who have said no, or of other dioceses where the commission had to go down a shopping list. It would surprise no one if the commission now routinely prepared a list longer than the two names it is required to submit to the Prime Minister, to save the need for further meetings when refusals came in.

All this is not necessarily good for the church. It is not good that a promising suffragan bishop, say might think he can turn down the first diocese he is offered, in the hope that a vacancy more agreeable to him will turn up. It is not good that a genuinely humble churchman should feel it is a voluntary matter, that he is free to choose the path which modesty dictates, for such a man is likely to have spiritual qualities the church desperately

needs in its leadership. The Church of England should decide who it wants, and then put pressure on him. An arm-twisting session with the archbishop, coupled with a warning that no man who refused one offer could expect another might persuade better men on to the bench, and might persuade reluctant wives that duty really was making an urgent call. The Church of England needs a Basil Hume or two; but in the present atmosphere it will not get one.

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Peerage, Baronetage, Knightage and Companionage is to be of an aristocratic or titled family. 8 Cromwell's nickname was Copper Nose or NOSEY, giving "ves on" when reversed, 9 Jack CADE, leader

HIGH HEELS and Low Heels, the names of two factions in Swift's tale of Lilliput, satirizing the High and Low Church parties. 20 "Gitche Manito, the mighty/ Smoked the CALUMET, the Peace Pipe/ As a signal to the nations": Longfellow, Hiawatha. i. 22 IPOMOEA, a tropical plant such as the morning glory or sweet potato; anagram of

S/COWLS, 25 Motor cycles have KICK starters. 26 Bartholomeu DIAS (or Diaz), fifteenth century Portuguese navigator, and beginning

My congratulations to those who teased it out; and my sympathies to all those on the Clapham omnibus

Jock Bruce-Gardyne

Pay before patients? A nursing dilemma

Sir John Greenborough is a glutton for punishment. At the end of the 1970s he crowned a distinguished career in the oil industry with a notably successful two-year sunt as president of the Confederation of British Industry. Thereafter he could reasonably have looked forward to combining the chairmanship of one public company, and non-executive directorships in a few others, with more time for the golf course, the

concert hall, and travel, But over the past few months those delights have had to take a back seat. For last autumn he was inveigled by the Prime Minister. with whom he shares a considerable mutural admiration, into chairing the new Review Body for Nursing and Midwifery Staff set up after the long and acrimonious health service wrangle in 1982. Any day now he is due to deposit the conclusions of his first adjudication on the doorstep of

10 Downing Street.
The Confederation of Health Service Employees (Cohse) wants a flat-rate £40-a-week rise for all nurses and midwives, regardless of skills, experience and responsibility; while the Royal College of Nursing. representing the upper reaches of the profession, unsurprisingly opts for a good deal more than that for its own clientele. The Department of Health and Social Security, on the other hand - equally unsurprisingly, since this is the provision written into its pay cash limits this year - says 3 per cent is quite enough.

Judging by the noises of their leaders, the assorted health service unions would go quietly for some-thing around 10 per cent. The Prime Minister most certainly would not. Unfortunately, however, while the Government has retained the right to tell Sir John and his colleagues to get lost. Norman Fowler has made it clear that it would not like to do that: We did not set up the review body in order to reject its findings." So Sir John had better get it right.

If NHS precedent were anything to go by, that is about the last thing he could be expected to do. The mantle that has now fallen on his shoulders was previously worn by Lord Halsbury in 1974, and by Professor "Comparability" Clegg in 1979, Lord Halsbury and his team produced voluminous evidence of the availability of nursing and midwifery candidates of quality, and of the ability of the NHS to retain their services, when once recruited, at existing rates of pay; and then concluded that they should be paid a bumper increase to show how much we loved them. Professor Clegg's remit, of course, had nothing to do with the laws of supply and demand: his task was to "ask what the boys in the back-room will have, and tell them we're having the same". In fact

he didn't bother very much about the laws of arithmetic either, if they got in the way of a substantial sculement for his clients.

But precedent is not - at any rate should not be - very much to go by in this instance. For the Government made it crystal clear, when it finally conceded the principle of a review body to halt disruption in the hospitals 18 months ago, that it had in mind something quite different from what had gone before: a review body which would direct its mind to what was needed to recruit and retain the nurses and midwives of the quality the nation could afford, and to hell with sentiment and keeping up with the loneses. And it shaped the membership of this new body accordingly.

Even so, it still looks nip and tuck. The DHSS, it seems, has told Sir John and friends that in its estimation "existing pay levels broadly meet" the criterion of recruitment and retention (why, if recruitment and retention (why, it that be so, an increase of any kind is called for is not explained, but let that pass). "Pay or remuneration increases higher than 3 per cent would have to be financed at the expense of services to patients."

Given that suitable young ladies are queueing up for every nursing post in sight, a visitor from Mars might deem these arguments conclusive. The trouble is that they do not exactly reflect what has happened hitherto. When the good Professor Clegg was hauled out from Warwick University to rescue Jim Callaghan from the winter of discontent, the then Chief Secretary of the Treasury, Joel Barnett, sternly warned that if he doubled the number he first thought of - as he was sure to do - then it would mean cuts in personnel and services; and that message was repeated fortissimo by Geoffrey Howe. Needless to say. Professor Clegg ignored it, and it didn't happen.

Over the ensuing four years the number of nurses and midwives on the payroll of the NHS went up by Il per cent (notwithstanding the fact that the ratio of nurses to beds already exceeded parity). So the health service unions might be forgiven for accusing the DHSS of

In this respect as well, one feels, things could be different this time round. So who would be Sir John? If he accepts the logic of the DHSS submission. he had better not succumb to acute appendicitis. But if instead he is swayed by the siren voices of Cohse and the Royal College of Nursing, not only will he whistle for invitations from No 10: he might find there was no bed available to treat his appendicitis

Phillip Whitehead

Fanfare for the broken man

When I first saw him he was only 10, and wearing a blanket. The prison pallor already offset his shock of redbrown hair. There was a kind of desperate calm about him, far from home and "on the blanket". Nearly a decade later he is immured, under intolerable duress, in the old control unit in Wakefield prison. As he is being held under a total of 30 counts of life imprisonment, one for each of the amateurish letter bombs he posted out from his native Londonderry in 1973-4, there will be those who say that anything which happens to this young man is

justified. They need not read on. The case of Shane Paul O'Doherty will shortly be taken to the European Court of Human Rights. He is asking to be moved back to Northern Ireland, where his aged mother resides and where his offences were committed. He is unusual in that he does not dispute or seek to mitigate the gravity of those offences, which maimed one person and could have injured others; nor that loss of liberty for many years is the price exacted. All of his youth will have gone to pay it.

O'Doherty became involved with the IRA in Londonderry in the aftermath of Bloody Sunday. He was 18. He had seen friends shot. For youths of his age and background, the Provos could come out of the shadows, murmuring of the necessary murder. His brother asked me to visit him

in 1975, in the category A wing at Wormwood Scrubs. From that first encounter, with its edgy point-scoring and mutual incomprehension, has developed a friendship that I value, with a young man whose maturation was for some years quite remarkabic. He thought deeply about violence and its consequences He sought permission to contact all those whom he had tried to injure. to seek their forgiveness. And, to the dismay of other IRA men in Wormwood Scrubs and of those still pushing Armalites into the hands of a fresh generation back home, he renounced violence in an open letter to Bishop Daly, published in Londonderry. In that he said: "I was a hypocrite. In injuring human beings I did not cure injustices. I created new ones".

It was a brave stand by a young man who knows well enough the destructive power of those who have terror at their beck and call. He had already ended his prison protests. come "off the blanket", and become a moral force for good inside the

O'Doherty also underwent a profound religious experience. which may lead him to the Franciscans after his eventual release, and began to study. By the ate 1970s a number of members of Parliament with whom he had corresponded were asking the Home Crossword Editor | Office for better study facilities for him, relaxation of Category A status, and some understanding about a transfer to Northern Ireland. Ministers were unhelpful. O'Doherty was suddenly moved to Gartree in 1980, where a more restrictive regime began to sour his hopes, and to Long Lartin in 1983.

Authority will point to the fact that he refused to work, in despair at this regression, at the end of 1981. and to his protests on behalf of other prisoners who were allegedly beaten up in Long Lartin, as evidence that he is incorrigible. In the last few months he has been in Winson Green, Bristol, and now Wakefield Lord Eiton, under fire from Lords Hylton and Longford over the treatment of O'Doherty, told the former on March 2: "I was not convinced that he has broken his links with para-military organiza-tions, particularly since he was refusing to comply with prison rules". This masterly non sequitur gives away the Home Office case. He speaks out. He helps other prisoners. Ergo, he is a terrorist at heart. Last week Mr Douglas Hurd produced another variation on this theme in a Commons debate initiated by Andrew Bennett, MP.

It is true that O'Doherty has become embittered by these past five years. Not a glimmer of hope has ever been vouchsafed to him. His 68-year-old mother was appallingly treated at Long Lartin when she came over from Derry 10 visit him last year.

In Wakefield, O'Doherty is now being held under Rule 43. forbidden to speak to other prisoners or to attend the Catholic chapel. He is quite literally boxed in, as he enters his second decade of imprisonment As we watch the Home Secretary glide down the long slipway of his self-esteem, we know he carries no doubts about the effect of 20-year sentences without hope of improvement. But what of his juniors? Douglas Hurd and Rodney Elton are honourable men. Do they ever wonder why so many people have become exercised over the O'Doherty case, and find him a remarkable human being even when stubborn and obsessive as prison has made him?

Those of us who count Shane O'Doherty a friend are not apologists for terrorism, or for that autodestructive army of the night that deals in sadism, extortion, and sectarian slaughter. We know that, when Irishmen eventually sit down together to discuss, not territory and flags, but reconciliation of different national traditions. O'Doherty and those who have come through the fever of violence should be there-Instead, he may be broken and rebrutalized in Wakefield jail.

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BARRY FANTONI

Neil Kinnock certainly has an eve

Ninety sin-starved women undergoing a "slimmer's fantasy" week at Inglewood Health Hydro, Berkshire, will be treated to a prize draw on Friday, hosted by Diana Dors, The second prize? You guessed it. Another week at Inglewood.

> signaller's alphabet stands for Anti-Aircraft gunnery: during the Second World War the BBC ran a programme called "Ack-Ack, Beer-Beer" for troops on isolated AA and Balloon Barrage sites. 4 During the Cromwell's Commonwealth Maj-Gen Browne of Abingdon was said to hang his prisoners first and then try them, hence ABINGDON Law. 10 CAT (-o'-nine-tails = whip) has ALP (a long-playing record) + A = CATALPA: New Palace Yard, where MPs enter the House of

For the setebos who left it nocturn

mother of Caliban in The Tempest. RADIOMETER, anagram of READ, TIME OR. 13 The "Day girl" is Fancy Day in Hardy's Under Greenwood Tree, who married Dick DEWY, who was a tranter, or carrier. 15 INDITER, one who writes or composes, sounds like indicter, or accuser, 17 A M(abbreviation for a cricket maiden) BATCH (loaves produced at one baking) = AMBATCH, a tropical African tree. 19 "Nocturne in Black and Gold" is the famous painting by Whistler (which Ruskin called Flinging a pot of paint in the face); "unfinished" NOCTURN, part of the office of Matins. 21 V (Roman five) in HALING (= drawing) gives HALV-ING, which makes two (out of one). 23 CALX, old word for quick-time, is the goal line (at football) in Eton slang (Shorter Oxford Dictionary), 24 The MACKINTOSH was invented by Charles Macintosh, a PHS | Commons. is shaded by old Catalpa | chemist: "getting a K" is a common expression for the award of a BESET, was the god of Sycorax, knighthood. 27 WEMMICK, Mr

Jagger's clerk in Great Expectations, had an Aged Parent. 28 Genetic system, or CODE, with young growth, or LAD, in it = CLADODE, the botanical word for a flattened. leaf-like stem. 29 "put aright perhaps" indicates a (right-hand) SIDE, hence SET ASIDE, 30 SAY (for instance) in an \$\$ (ship) = ASSAYS, or tests.

Down: 1 ACCORD/IO/N. agreement on Io. the Greek maiden, plus abbreviation for name. 2 A KATY-DID is an American grasshopper: What Katy Did the title of a novel by Susan Coolidge, 3 COLPOR-TEUR is a "book pedlar, esp. employed by a society to distribute Bibles" (COD), and sounds like Cole Porter the song writer, except that "Col" is pronounced with a short "o". 5 A Shem (eldest son of Noah) in Bath (in the county of Avon); BASHEMATH was one of the

wives (Genesis 26:34) of Esau, "a

cunning hunter". 6 NETT means

same as net, another name for a let

of the Kentish insurrection of 1450. whose popular name was Jack Amend-all (Brewer), 14 The ABE-I.ONIANS were a North African sect who lived in continence after marriage like "Righteous Abel" (Brewer), 16 R/ANS/ACKED, 18 A/O(love)/POEM/I(one).

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THE CHAOS CLEARS

Sunday's elections in El Salvador certainly produced scenes of confusion and frustration, scenes that were largely absent from the Constituent Assembly elections of 1982. Inadequate or contradictory directions, lack of ballot papers, the familiar failures of the computer - complications of the system rather than the ignorance of the voters - seemed to account for much of this in the areas where people voted. Voting took place in well over 200 of the Republic's 260 municipalities, and it is estimated that something over half of the 2.5 million electorate voted. Voting is obligatory, and though the formal sanctions are small this influences the size of the vote in areas the government control. The elections did not take place everywhere in that atmosphere of "Free and secure expression of opinion" that Dr Kissinger's report sees as a prerequisite of peace.

Yet these elections are not meaningless. Though there has not so far been an official announcement of figures our observer Sir James Swaffield was probably right to declare "There will be a result, about which one must have some qualifications", and to make the point that confusion does not necessarily mean corruption; indeed, it may even be caused by computerised ellorts to prevent corruption. Unofficial estimates, compiled hy the Christian Democrats but confirmed by other sources and not yet seriously challenged by their opponents, give their candidate José Napoleon Duarte tions after these elections are Salvador. So they are elections somewhere between 44.5 per over. They will certainly have worth watching.

cent and 48 per cent of the vote. Major Roberto D'Abuisson of the far-right ARENA around 29 per cent, and Francisco José Guerrero of the conservative National Concilliation Party

some 17 per cent. This at least gives an indication of the support enjoyed by these politically distinct elements in elections that, in the words of our correspondent, offered "limited but clear choice". Senor Duarte appears to have done some five per cent better than his party did in 1982, the other two candidates holding their party vote. This runs counter to the widespread notion of the irresistible rise of Major D'Abuisson, and has important implications. Under the Salvadorean system, the choice of President must now be determined by a run-off within 40 days between the two leading contenders. It is by no means clear that Senor Duarte will lose the second round.

Nor are all groups in the FMLN-FDR opposition indifferent to the possibilities that his victory would open. Ruben Zamora, Secretary of the Front's Political and Diplomatic Commission, recently gave it as his personal guess that a D'Abuisson win would produce a coup backed by the United States, but that a coup against Duarte would be frustrated. Duarte's proposals for future negotiations with the FMNL-FDR are not impossibly distant from the FMNL-FDR's own proposals. Dr Kissinger's report strongly urges negotiabeen worth the effort if such a convergence of views is brought

Will that happen? The second electoral round is not predictable, nor are reactions to it. The potential for increased violence is obvious. Most Salvadorean politicians, right across the spectrum, have so little patience in negotiation and small talents for compromise or collaboration. From General Martinez, who bloodily supressed the "Communists" in 1932, to Major D'Abuisson today, the Salvadorean right has fed on anti-Communist rhetoric that would sound strident even to General Pinochet. Such simplifications, and similar simplifications in Washington, produce opposite simplifications on the left, and the cycle of violence confirms each side's beliefs about the other. To break this cycle it will require not only a political shift but a complex system of tangible guarantees for those who are prepared to stop fighting. How can such a system be installed in El Salvador? If he wins the next round, Senor Duarte must still govern for a year with the existing Constituent Assembly, Can he form and hold together a credible coalition?

It has been too common place to say that these elections by themselves will not solve anything. They are not yet over, and the civil war goes on. But they might produce a result that brought a negotiated settlement nearer and such a settlement would benefit not only El

AN AFRICAN TRAGEDY

President Ahmed Sekou Touré of Guinea, whose death was announced yesterday, was a tragic figure in the full sense of that term. His life could be the subject of a classic Shakespearian tragedy with its familiar theme: the hero fatally corrupted by absolute power. A dramatist would perhaps have had him die September 1958 when, alone of the surgeon's knite, and would have written in a larger female rule. Otherwise, the story has drama, pathos and sheer borror enough for the most jaded audience.

. . .

For Sekou Touré was a hero. In 1958, when he led Guinea to independence, he enjoyed the passionate and almost unanimous admiration of his people. He was a brilliant organizer and shrewd politician who knew when to be tough and when to compromise. Largely selfeducated, and learning quickly from French trade unionists, he never saw eye to eye with the radical, Paris-based African intelligentsia. They criticised him sharply for cooperating with French governments and accepting office under the "Loi-Cadre" brought in in 1956 by M Gaston Mollet government, now President Mitterrand's minister of the Interior), which gave only limited autonomy to the Black economic resources, lacked the threatened to make the OAU rightly saw that this gave African all the initiative to develop and nationalists a chance to establish market those resources. He soon

ground, from which they could then push for full independence. allegedly contained a snow-"Nous avons fait l'économie d'une guerre," (we have saved ourselves a war), he remarked, comparing Guinea's experience with what the Algerians were then going through. His finest hour came in

under the assassin's rather than France's Black African terri- now thought to be living in exile. lones, Guinea voted No in the Seventeen cabinet ministers referendum on de Gaulle's have been executed or have constitution, thereby opting for died in prison (Diallo Tellic immediate independence and the widely-respected former rejecting the half-way house of Community". "Guinea prefers poverty in freedom to wealth in slavery", declared Sekou Touré somewhat histrionically, and de Gaulle took him at his word. The French administration pulled out of Guinea within days, taking with it whatever French government property it could remove - even the telephones and de Gaulle refused even to discuss the possibility of French aid to the newly independent state.

Toure was the hero of all Africa, and became the close ally of Kwame Nkrumah, who chose benefited from their country's a power-base on their own lost any illusions about Soviet Guinean people.

aid (one consignment of which plough), but not until the last years of his life did he reconcile himself to encouraging Western capitalist investment. Meanwhile, he had become obsessed with the fear of plots against him inside and outside the country. Some one million Guineaus are secretary-general of the Organimembership of the "French zation of African Unity, was one of those deliberately starved to death), and another eighteen sentenced to life imprisonment.

It does not say much for the

prevailing political mores in the world that, in spite of all this, Sekou Touré had latterly come to be regarded both in the OAU and in the Islamic Conference Organization as a great "moderate" and even something of a statesman. He played an important role in securing Egypt's readmission to the Islamic Conference this February, and was expecting to host an OAU Guinea as his place of exile after summit in Conakry early in the Defferre (then Minister of his fall in 1966. But, like summer. He had mediated "Overseas France" in the Guy Nkrumah, Touré found that a unsuccessfully in the Iran-Iraq state-controlled economy, so far war and was latterly trying from ensuring that the people his hand at mediation in the Western Sahara dispute which African territories. But Touré capital, the expertise, and above summit untenable. He will be sorely missed, as they say - but not, one suspects, by many of the

TESTING THE TESTER

desired that there should be a cheap, easy and reliable means of securing the evidence necessary to convict drivers who endanger their own lives and those of others by taking to the road when they are drunk. The sharp decline in drunken driving arrests over Christmas showed how readily motorists respond to indications that they are less likely to get away with it than before: it falls into the category of lariff-responsive crimes. At Christmas the Home Office thought (or protested very insistently that it thought) that a cheap, easy and reliable means of securing convictions had at last been put into the hands of the police. Now it seems less sure of

. that. Publicity works both ways. and one consequence of this damaging episode may well be that some drivers calculate that they might get away with it after all. The evidence indicates that it is spring, not Christmas, when still to be imposed on the drivers killed on the road are most likely to have been drunk. and many tragedies may result in the coming weeks. The police will have to exercise control as best they can, although the old evidential techniques which all suspects will now have the right swollen by vexations and trivolis not enough: justice must be Buckinghamshire. lo demand take up much more ous claims. No-one would wish done and seen to be done as well. Buckinghamshire.

reduction in time spent on patrol. But it is equally necessary to avoid further undermining the public's legitimate expectation that the law should be applied fairly.

It will not be easy to make things look fair, within the programme outlined by the Government this week. There will eventually be at least four categories of drivers banned from the road after being tested on the Lion Intoximeter. There will be those arrested before there were publicly-admitted doubts about the reliability of the machine; those arrested between now and April 16, when Mr Hurd's new safeguards come in; and those arrested afterwards who either fail or fail to ask for the confirmatory tests of blood or urine. If it is fair to give the latter that option, it must look unfair to uphold the penalties imposed without an option on the first category, let alone those

second. The delay in introducing the safeguards is said to be administratively unavoidable, because police surgeons will be needed in sufficient numbers to meet a demand which will no doubt be suspects will now have the right swollen by vexatious and frivol-

It is a thing very much to be police time - with a consequent to see the next three weekends go by with no effective drink-driving test at all: the Home Office has simply got itself into an impossible situation. The only palliative will be for the courts. after the period is over, to give the promptest and most attentive hearing possible to appeals.

> The official case is that there is still no reason to believe the machine generally unreliable. Anybody with evidence of a malfunction at any time may appeal. In practice the evidence will be difficult to secure, and the process of going back to court is a daunting one. Eventually the machine may recover its repu-tation in spite of the disturbing evidence uncovered by the Daily Express: one must hope so. In the meantime there are urgent questions to be answered about how the Government allowed itself to adopt a system after what is now seen to be inad-equate testing. There are signs of a widespread self-righteous blind faith by the authorities in their new toy, even when it began behaving oddly. The outcome is a grave blow to public respect for the law. The fight against drunken driving is a good cause, one of the best. But a good cause is not enough: justice must be

From Rear-Admiral A. D. Tarlesse Sir. The propriety of delegating to a

retain copies does not seem to have

been entrusted to a more senior and

reliable person and closely super-vised. But perhaps it is idle to look

for elementary common sense in the

Sir. It has not failed to escape my

notice that since Sarah Tisdall was

sentenced at the Old Bailey there has

been an outcry by the "do-gooders" to defend her and criticise the

sentence passed on her. She was at

the beginning of her diplomatic

career and as such was not paid to decide what the public should know,

why - hers was to do or die". She

obviously was not aware of the code

connected with the Civil Service -

you are there to serve the Govern-

ment of the day, whether you like

She has abused the privilege of working at the Foreign Office – yes.

it is a privilege to work there - and the trust that was placed in her.

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sooner or later. In my book she got

There have been far too many

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the return of the cruise document against The Guardian newspaper last December were civil ones. The Treasury Solicitor could have argued against us under the Official Secrets Act. In fact, he argued the laws of property and copyright. At the end of those proceedings

we, as a company, were faced with escalating fines for contempt of know our informant, nor whether contract exists, and it is almost

It was over three weeks before Miss Tisdall - our unknown informant - confessed to spare the other 10, people in her office further distress. She was then charged - as we had not been charged - under the Official Secrets Act.

I find that distressingly hypocritical-and a pungent comment on the ramshackle state of the Official Secrets Act.

From Mr Denis Christian

Sir, In your leader, "Miss Tisdall's case" (March 26), you say that a document of the sort in question would probably have remained within a secret classification of some sort." This is imprecise and we may have seen, here, a case of overclassification for political purposes. In sentencing Miss Tisdall, Mr

Justice Cantley observed, "....any person entrusted with any material classified as secret (my italics).... shall not escape a custodial sentence. However, prior to this, on December 15, when The Guardian appeal was heard Sir John Dotald-son said that the published document contained no information which would be of use to enemies of this country.

Given our knowledge of the broad of a paper ought to fit before meriting a particular classification. and with due weight to Sir John's opinion, was the document overclassified? If so, Miss Tisdall went to prison for a technical offence against the security of the country, when in fact her offence was the breaking of a confidence of a matter deserving a lower security guard.

More broadly, any consistent more oroadly, any consistent usage of over-classification for political purposes means that, increasingly, decision-making is in the hands of the few, based on the "need to know" maxim. Perhaps decent politicians of all parties will turn their attention to this. turn their attention to this. Yours faithfully,

DENIS CHRISTIAN, 9 High Beach. Felixstowe, Suffolk. March 26.

Politics of tobacco

From Lord Ennals

Sir. In a piece about the tobacco lobby by Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent (March 20), a spokesman for the Freedom Organisation for the Right to Enjoy Smoking Tobacco is quoted as saying that the personal views about smoking and legislation of Sir George Young MP, who used to be Parliamentary Under Secretary for Health, did not reflect Government policy at the time. This is outrageous: whatever Sir George Young's personal views

about smoking - and so far as I am aware, they were exemplary for anyone holding office in the Department of Health - what really mattered were his actions as minister. These had the full and active support of his Secretary of State, the Right Hon Patrick Jenkin, MP, who incidentally was moved from the Department of Health in the same reshuffle as Sir George.

In reporting the quote, your Correspondent should have mentioned that this "freedom organization" is sponsored by the tobacco manufacturers. Yours faithfully,

ENNALS. House of Lords. March 22.

VAT on buildings

From Mr C. Wickenden Sir, In his Budget speech the Chancellor said that he had chosen June 1, 1984, as the starting date for the changes in VAT on building alteration work so as to allow sufficient time for current contracts

to be completed. Would it not have been fairer to allow contracts agreed prior to March 13 to remain zero-rated? Two and a half months might be a long time in politics, but that is not the case in the construction industry. Yours faithfully. C. WICKENDEN.

Wood Sorrel, Cokes Lane, Chalfont St Giles,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Miss Tisdall, official secrecy and the public interest

been questioned.

Foreign Office.

Yours faithfully,

Sway Lodge,

Sway, Lymington,

March 26.

them or not.

what she deserved.

Yours faithfully.

E. L. SMITH.

Chertsey,

Surrey. March 26.

I St Ann's Close,

A. D. TORLESSE.

From Miss E. L. Smith

From the Editor of The Guardian Sir. Can I offer some clarifications which may assist correspondents like Mrs Brigid Smithers (March 27) in their reflections on the Sarah

Tisdall case.
The Government proceedings for

court if we did not comply.
In a sympathetic editorial at that time ("Caveat talpa". December 17) you pointed out that we did not return of the document would trace the leaker. "No explicit or implicit

quixotic to act as if it did". You therefore concluded that we should have returned the document more promptly, without prolonged legal resistance,

It was open to the Attorney General to charge us both then, but that was specifically not done because the Crown in our own civil proceedings had repeatedly admitted that, in publishing the document, we had not acted against the "public interest" and thus it would be hard 10 argue, against Miss Tisdall and The Guardian together, that the public interest had been harmed.

Yours faithfully. PETER PRESTON, Editor. The Guardian, 119 Farringdon Road, EC1. March 27.

Sir. Having suffered the hand-wringing sentimentality of last Saturday's

Guardian, to which the BBC gave main-story prominence in its morning news broadcasts, and the sanctimonious claptrap of yesterday's Sunday Times, your leading article this morning (March 26) has done much to restore my confidence in British journalism. However, should you not have

From Brigadier P. K. Goozee

made the further point that the Editor of The Guardian, when he first received the two documents, ought at once to have returned them to their rightful owner? What else should one do as the receiver of property, obviously stolen and obviously valuable, on which the identity of the owner is plain to see?

I trust I am right in believing that

this is what you would have done; otherwise I may feel obliged to give up British newspapers entirely - and where alse could I then turn for journalistic integrity? Yours faithfully (and, I trust, continuing so). P. K. GOÖZEE.

Kestrel, Middleton Stoney, Bicester, Oxfordshire. March 26.

From Mr Colin McGrady Sir; Having recently spent eight days in HM Prison, Pentonville, as a consequence of an act of conscience against the nuclear arms race, I must take issue with your leader ("Miss Tisdall's case") today that "even a few nights in prison would ... have been sufficiently horrifying to act as a deterrent against any temptation to act in a similar way.

I do fully agree that even a very short time in prison is a horrible experience and the prospect of

several months in Holloway must be a truly ghastly one for Miss Tisdall. Moreover, the length of her sentence junior and inexperienced clerk the is indeed totally out of proportion to handling of secret and highly sensitive documents under con-However, it cannot be stressed ditions in which she was able to

strongly enough that there can never be an effective deterrent against a genuine act of conscience - no amount of punishment should be able to deter a person from acting according to his/her highest prin-If one's conscience dictates the

following of a particular course and if that course leads to breaking the law of the land (whether under a tyranny or in a democracy) one must be prepared to accept whatever punishment is finally imposed. however severe, with grace and

dignity.
To her great credit, Miss Tisdall herself appears to have accepted hers thus and one can only wish her well during those interminable days of Yours faithfully COLIN McGRADY. Green Lodge, 58 Sheffield Terrace, W8.

March 26.

From Mr S. E. Scammell Sir, Clearly it was necessary to send Miss Tisdall to prison in order to discourage a steady procession of secret documents from Whitehall to Ficet Street. But many people will surely consider that she should be joined there by the Editor of The Guardian who was an accessory after the crime and took an advantage from it.

Yours faithfully, S. E. SCAMMELL East Knoyle, Salisbury. Willshire. March 26.

From Mr Eric Phillips

Sir. In recent years individual ministers and senior members of the defence Forces have from time to time been suspected of themselves leaking information on secret or confidential proposals going before Cabinet, the purpose being to stir up public or party opinion for or against the proposals, according to the leaker's own view of what the public interest requires.

I hope we can assume that whenever such a case occurs in future Scotland Yard will be called in and the Attorney General, should the evidence be sufficient, will arrange for the leaker to be tried at the Old Bailey. As for the sentence of the court. I suggest that, measured on the Tisdall scale, it should be imprisonment for at least five years. Yours faithfully,

ERIC PHILLIPS 46 Platts Lane, NW3.

Mr Philip Hawkins Sir, It is sad to see the refined terminology of espionage invented by John Le Carré being degraded in the media and elsewhere (as in the headline to your 'Crime Reporter's contribution on page two of The Times, March 24).

In chapter 8 of Tinker. Tailor. Soldier, Spy a mole is defined as "a deep penetration agent, so called because he burrows deep. ... Moles are very precious... because of the many years it takes to place

Miss Tisdall was no mole. Could not those who betray the trust placed in them by leaking Government secrets to the public be more aptly described as "squeakers"? Yours faithfully, PHILIP HAWKINS.

25 Upland Park Road. March 25.

Royal Court's future

From Sir Hugh Willatt and others

Sir, We have been associated with the Arts Council's Drama Advisory Panel, as its chairman or as drama directors, virtually throughout the existence of the English Stage Company at the Royal Court Theatre. During these years panel members have included many eager rivals for such money as may have been available, but at all times the panel, rivals included, has recognised the ESC's enlivening contribution of new work to theatre throughout Britain and to the high standing of British drama world-wide. The Royal Court has, since 1955, always been considered a national theatre for new writing. Nor is there any credible sugges-

tion that the ESC's standards are unacceptably in decline. Quite the

Books at risk

From Lord Balfour of Burleigh Sir, It is clear that the work of the Arts Council's literature department no longer commands public confi-dence. Nevertheless, the step which the council is reported to be considering - i.e., the termination of its support for literature and, in particular, the total withdrawal of its grant to the National Book League seems to me to be wrong.

The NBL has a powerful and imaginative council, a director who is widely held in high regard and a core of knowledge and expertise which is instantly available throughout the whole country to those whose job it is to bring about a greater knowledge and understanding of literature and books in general. It plays a great part in fostering the interest of young people in books and literature. My hope is that the Arts Council will recognise the enormous benefit of these services, which the NBL have been developing for nearly 60 years, and secure them by continuation of the extremely small grant. Indeed, if they were to increase it only slightly and entrust the NBL

with the support of other literary

activities they would then have made a useful step in their right and

contrary, even in terms of attendances and subsidy per seat, let alone the evident quality of its recent

There can be no doubt that the current drama panel, and the drama department, if adequately consulted, would totally confirm confidence in the ESC and its future, now threatened.

Council members will surely not wish to treat any of its advisory panels, or its own departmental officers, with the contempt which a decision to cripple the English Stage Company would unmistakably signal. We are, Sir, yours etc, HUGH WILLATT,
JOHN FAULKNER,
RICHARD HOGGART,
J. W. LAMBERT,
J. L. HODGKINSON, N. V. LINKLATER, 4 St Peter's Wharf, Hammersmith Terrace, W8.

proper policy of devolvement from

105 Piccadilly. Yours sincerely, ROBERT BALFOUR of BURLEIGH, Brucefield, Clackmannan. March 23.

Levels of education From Mr B. W. Grantham-Hill

Sir, Have the noble minds of Lord Sir, Have the noble minds of Lord Flowers (March 8) and Mr Roy Avery (March 19) considered what happens when a boys' grammar school rejects "ambitious general studies programmes" while the nearby girls' grammar school embraces them heartily?

A little investigation will reveal that we have here a wonderful tool

that we have here a wonderful tool to reduce the success of A-level students, by diverting their mental energies from their "three subjects": what a boon to administrators wishing to curtail the numbers of university entrapts: nothing is too subtle in education today! Yours very sincerely, B. W. GRANTHAM-HILL, 9 Courtland Road.

March 19.

Shiphay, Torquay,

Public spending and the citizen

From Professor K. G. Denbigh, FRS ... Sir, In two successive leaders (March 23 and 24) as well as in many earlier ones you have called for a reduction in public expenditure. You have also asked for a "lively public debate" and you say that your own "central philosophical conviction" is that the citizen "is the best judge ... of how and where to

spend his money".
I agree, but this does not exclude the possibility that some citizens may wish to spend some part of their money on publicly provided benefits rather than on privately purchased commodities. This option seems to be strangely overlooked in your own thinking on the matter.

A "lively public debate" implies many voices. Let me then speak for

myself, as you have done for yourself. I am quite happy that I should pay an appreciable portion of my income as taxes and rates if these contributions will help me to obtain a fine environment in which to live. including litter-free streets, welltended parks and a countryside free from haphazard development; and if they will also give me an efficient and inexpensive system of public transport reducing the nuisance of cars in the cities: and again if they will provide well-stocked public libraries, good museums, art galleries and theatres.

Beyond that I look for an effective health service, together with the satisfaction of knowing that others, 100, can enjoy such a service and have protection against the damage done by poverty or unemployment. And, of course, I look for the existence of a BBC and of a system of public education, of which one can continue to be proud.

All these things are my "needs" and for them I am pleased to make the necessary payment. Obviously enough they cannot be provided by individuals acting on their own only by public institutions charged with the duties and requiring contributions in the form of taxes or rates. No doubt the good things I have listed are the products of "the state", of the "collectivist and corporatist apparatus", the "bureaucrais", against which and whom you inveigh so weightily. Nevertheless those are the things I ask for, quite as much as for ever more commodities. Does your "central philosophical conviction" not take any account of them?

Yours faithfully. KENNETH DENBIGH, Flint Walls. 19 Sheridan Road, SW19. March 25.

Churchill's hideaway

From Mr Nigel West Sir. There has been speculation concerning the exact location of Churchill's secret wartime bunker, code-named Paddock since the publication of his intriguing but brief reference to it in *The Second* World War, vol 11. Your report on Churchill's use of the Railway Executive's headquarters under Down Street. Mayfair (March 19)

that it is believed to have been sited in a disused Tube station in north In fact a Cabinet file now stored in the Public Record Office, Kew, under the title "CWR/2" (Cabinet War Room/2) tells a different story. Paddock was specially constructed in the summer of 1940 in the

suggests that Paddock's exact lo-

cation remains undiscovered and

grounds of the Post Office Research Station at Dollis Hill. The part of Paddock that is on the surface is a windowless concrete structure and is clearly visible from Brook Road, outside the old Post Office premises. The building extends deep underground, fully justifying Churchill's comment that it was "far from the light of day" and contains some of its original equipment, including its emergency

generator. Churchill recalled attending a meeting of the War Cabinet at Paddock on September 29, 1940, and "celebrated the occasion with a vivacious lunch".

CWR/2's unusual code name may be explained by the street sign directly opposite Paddock's gates: "Paddock Road, NW2." Yours sincerely, NIGEL WEST. 310 Fulham Road, SW10.

Informed consent?

From Professor Emeritus H. C. McLaren Sir. The other day, landing at Heathrow, the pilot told us that although they were watching like bawks the plane had been landed by electronics.
I am glad to say that before this he

did not ask for a show of consenting hands. The difference between this kind of experiment and "medical" con-

sent discussed by the expert medical team (letter, March 19) is that the medical director is not always up front like our cheerful BA pilot! Yours sincerely, HUGH CAMERON McLAREN.

26 Ampton Road, Birmingham. March 19.

Cooling-off time

From Dr E. D. Deas Sir, So Mr Dormer (March 23) thinks that an object cannot of its own accord become cooler than its surroundings. Perhaps he would be good enough to bring this to the attention of my wife's feet, which persist in achieving this scientific impossibility. Yours faithfully,

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E. D. DEAS, Rehwi Farm, Ffoth. Wrexham, Clwyd. March 23.



COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT **CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE March: 27: By command of The Queen, the Lord Somerleyton (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport - London this afternoon upon the arrival of The President of the State of Israel and Mrs Herzog and welcomed Their Excellencies on behalf of Her

Queen was represented by the Lord Somerleyton (Lord in Waiting) at the Memorial Service for Viscount Macmillan of Oven-den. MP (a former Cabinet Minister) which was held in St Margaret's Westminster today. The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips and Captain Mark Phillips were represented by Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Miller at the Memorial Service for Mr Martin Whiteley which was held in Eton College Chapel today.

CLARENCE HOUSE March 27: Lady Angela Oswald has succeeded Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston as Lady-in-Waiting to Oucen Elizabeth The Queen The

KENSINGTON PALACE March 27: The Princess of Wales, Patron, the Welsh National Opera. this morning opened and toured the new Rehearsal Studios, John Street, Cardiff. Her Royal Highness, attended by

Latest appointments Latest appointments include:

Mr James Leonard Curle, managing director of the Civil Aviation Authority, and Mr Authory Purssell, regional director (South Midlands) of Lloyds Bank, to be Members of the Civil Aviation Authority.

Marriages Mr D. M. Brock and Miss P. J. Carroll

The marriage took place in Oxford. on Saturday, March 24, between Mr David Brock and Miss Patricia Carroll. The bridesmaid was Miss Isabel Davidson and Mr Andrew Penny was best man. Mr W. R. Griffiths

and Ms A. M. Little The service of blessing after the marriage of Mr W. Robert Griffiths and Ms Angela May Little took place quietly in Hampstead, on Saturday, March 10.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr A. G. I. de la Rue and Miss T. D. Dobson

The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of Sir Eric de la Rue. Bt. of Caldra House. Berwickshire, and the late Lady de la Rue, and Tessa, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs David Dobson, of Straggiethorge Grange, Lincoln.

Mr W. S. Dawson and Miss A. J. Aldridge

The engagement is announced between William Strachan, son of Mr and Mrs J. O. H. Dawson, of the Old Manse, Great Bavington, Northumberland, and Alison Jill, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J. E. Aldridge, of Bentley Wood.

Mr M. Dixon and Miss J. Larner The engagement is announced

between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs J. Dixon, of Tiptree, and Joanne, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Larner, of Kelvedon, Essex. Mr C. R. Floyd and Miss A. Micheal

The engagement is announced between Christopher, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Alexander Floyd, of Warminster, Wiltshire, and Angela. only daughter of Mr and Mrs Gregory Micheal, of Sanderstead, Surrey.

Mr R. J. A. Huxter and Miss J. M. Robson

The engagement is announced between Rupert, elder son of Mr and Mrs N. E. W. Huxter, of Boar's Hill, Oxford, and Julia, daughter of Mr and Mrs F. Robson, of Newark,

Dinners

International Maritime Industries A dinner of the International Marktime Industries Forum was held at Grosvenor House last night. Mr James Davis, chairman, presidcd. and the principal guest and speaker was Mr David Mitchell. Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State. Department of Transport. The dinner preceded the Full Forum

The dinner preceded the Full Forum meeting.

Among those present were:

The Liberian Ambassador, Lord Lucas of Chilworth, Darve Shetagh, Roberta, MEP, Mr R B Adams, Mr A F Al-Bader, Sir Peter Baldwin, Mr R Beitlen, Mr W Beitmann, Nr R A Brooks, the Rev W J Down, Mr V F Core, Mr A Brooks, the Rev W J Down, Mr V F Core, Mr A Brooks, the Rev W J Down, Mr V D F Core, Mr Abas Could-the Mr M Right Mr V B Kinghan, Mr W M Kinghano, Mr M Kinghana, Mr M Kinghano, Mr M Kinghana, Mr M Kinghana, Mr J Parer, Mr D N Pateras, Bir Judian Riddale, Mp, Mr D Robner, Mr Song Zhi Zing, Mr J Sherwood, Mr W B Stater, Mr A R Sultan, Dr R Stoodter and Sir Adrian Swire.

Finance Houses Association

Houses Association, Mr Stuart Errington, presided at the twentysecond annual dinner of the Finance Houses Association at the Savoy Hotel, London, last night. The

Mrs George West and Lieutenant-Commander Peter Eberle, RN ST. JAMES'S PA Gravelled in an aircraft of the March 27: The

The Prince of Wales was represented by the Earl of St Aldwyn at the Memorial Service for Viscount Macmillan of Ovenden, MP which was held in St Margaret's attendance. Westminster today. KENSINGTON PALACE

March 27: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, as Colonci-in-Chief, today, visited Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps at Aldershot, and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord : Lieutenant for Hampshire (Lieutenant-Colonel Sir James

Her Royal Highness attended a Service to mark Alexandra Day in the Royal Garrison Church of All Saints, and was present at, a Reception and Luncheon given by the Corps at the QARANC Training

Major The Lord Napier and Etyica and the Hon Mrs Whitehead were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
March 23: The Duke of Gloucester
visited the Institute of Hydrology.
Wallingford Oxfordshire, today. Lieutenant Colonel Sir Simon

Lieutenant Colones Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

The Duchess of Gloucester. Colonel-in-Chief. Royal Army Educational Corps. today received Major-General A. J. Trythall on relinquishing the appointment of Director of Army Education and Brigadier D. E. Ryan on assuming the appointment. the appointment.

Mr David Williams, Deputy international Director (Overseas Sales) British Railways Board, to be director of international marketing and director, Channel Tunnel from June I on the retirement of Mr P. A.

Mr Mark Hodges to be Chairman of the South Bank Theatre Board from April 1 to August 3.

and Miss K. Jolowicz

The engagement is announced between Brian, youngest son of Dr and Mrs G. W. E. Little, of Chigwell, Essex, and Kate, elder daughter of Professor and Mrs J. A. Jolowicz, of Barrington, Cambridge

Mr P. J. L. Nash and Miss A. E. S. Vane-Tempest

The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Mr and Mrs L. Lester Nash, of Veronica Cottage. Thruxton, Hampshire, and Aline, daughter of Mr Charles Vane-Tempest, of Helsinki, and Mrs Roderick Faure Walker, of Ring wold House, Middle Wallop,

Mr J. F. de V. Nettlefold and Miss J. R. Broce-Smythe

The engagement is announced between John Frederick, only son of Mr Frederick Nettlefold of Juja Farm. Kenya, and Mrs Rice, of East Ilsley Hall. Newbury, Berkshire, and Juliette Rosalind, only daughter of Mr and Mrs David Bruce-Smythe, of Acton Burnell Park, Shropshire,

Vir R. O'D Paterson and Miss A. B. Newsome

The engagement is announced between Richard, elder son of Mrs Victoria, Britisl Columbia, and the late Mr Brian O'Donnell Paterson, and Alison Bianca. younger daughter of Mrs Willem Boogerman and stepdaughter of Mr Willem Boogerman, of Rivermead Court, Hurlingham.

and Miss L. F. Rogers

The engagement is announced between Robin, only son of Mr and Mrs James Pirrie, of Kingsgate, Kent, and Lynn, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Victor Rogers, of Lower Kingsdown: Wiltshire.

Mr M. Riminton. and Miss E Drury

The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr Peter Riminton, of Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, and Mrs Sally Earle, of Perth, Western Australia, and Elizabeth, daughter of Mrs Kay Drury, of Solihull, West Midlands.

principle guest was Mr Norman Tebbitt, MP. Mr Deryk Vander Weyer responded to a toast to the guests proposed by Mr Ray Hazlehurst. Among those present

European-Atlantic Group a dinner at St Ermins' Hotel last The chairman was Lord Chalfont, chairman of the group, and Lord Layton, president, also spoke.

Among those present were:
The Austrian and Swiss Ambassadors, and other members of the Disconstic Corps. Sheltin and Shelikha Khuzal Amery, Sirbalias and Lady Bernard, Mr. Tom Clarke, MP, Mrs Elma Dangerfield, Lord Houghton of Sowerby, CH. Sir David Lidderdale, Lord Machiner of Medicinose of Beoch, Lady Martin, Sir John and Lady Peel, Lord Shaughnessy and Mr. Norl Marshall.

Hazlehurst. Among those present were:

Lord Balfour of Burleigh. Lord Barber. Mr Guy Barneti. MP. Sir Timothy Bevan. Sir Hugh Cathitt. Sir Gorden Borrie. Mr Green Strate. Mr Green Borrie. Mr Green Garden Borrie. Mr Green Garden Dewnier. Mr John Democratic Garden Dewnier. Mr John Democratic Garden Dewnier. Mr A M Fraser. Mr Norman Lemont. Mp. Sir Strian Hayes. Mr Norman Lemont. Mp. Sir Strian Hayes. Mr McLand. Lord MrCGovun. Mr C w McLand. Lord MrCGovun. Mr C w McLand. Lord MrCGovun. Mr C w McLand. Sir Peter Mcdifelon. Sir Intwas Deve. OC MD. Adv McLand. Sir Peter Mcdifelon. Sir Intwas Deve. OC MD. Adv McLand. Sir Peter Sheldon. Mp. Lord Spens. Sir Anthony Touche. Mr Richard Walnwright. MP. Bar Gary Walter, Mp. Sir Domald Walters and Sir Malcolm WECOX.

The European-Atlantic Group held night in honour of the Canadian High Commissioner in London. The chairman was Lord Chalfont,

ST. JAMES'S PALACE March 27: The Duchess of Kent today presented the awards at the Annual Composer's Award Reception, Wedgwood House, Wigmore Street London, W.I. Miss Sarah Partridge was in

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE, March 27: Princess Alexandra was represented by the Hon Angus Ogilvy at the Memorial Service for Viscount Macmillan of Ovenden, MP which was held in St Margaret's. Westminster today.

Queen Ingrid of Denmark celebrates her birthday today. A memorial service for Sir Wilfred Burns will be held in the Crypt Chapel of St Paul's Cathedral at I i.30 am today. Mr Robert Jackson, MEP, MP.

regrets that he was unable to attend the memorial service for Viscount Macmillan of Ovenden, MP. Birthdays today

The Right Rev Dr C. K. N. Bardsley, 77: Mr Dirk Bogarde, 63; Marjorie Countess of Brecknock, 84; the Hon George Bruce, 54; Professor Sir John Butterfield, 64; Professor Sir John Butterfield, 64; Mr Robert Harris, 34; Lord Hutchinson of Lullington, QC, 69; Mr Frank Judd, 49; Mr Neil Kinnock, MP, 42; Mr R. Lister, 65; Mr Clifford Mollison, 87; Mr Michael Parkinson, 49; Dame Flora Robson, 82; Lord Shaughnessy, 62; Lord Justice Stephenson, 74; Mr Richard Stilgoe, 41.

University news

Professor Hamish M. Keir, Head of the Department of Biochemistry, principal from April 1 to September 30, 1985, in succession to Professor Rutherford Professor James C. Laidlaw has been appointed viceprincipal for two and a half years from April I.

Mr William Bradley, presently Secretary to the Hongkong University and Polytechnic grants com-mittee, has been appointed Secretary to the university in succession to Mr T. B. Skinner, who retires at the end of September.

Mr Anthony Ouinsee, Librarian of Chelsea College, has been appointed to the post of Librarian at Queen Mary College, from October 1. Grant

Sheffield

Appointment Dr Ronald G. Grainger, MD, FRCP. FRCR, to the new post of professor associate in radioagnosis.

Newcastle Appointments

Dr W. J. Cram. reader at the University of Sydney, to the professorship of plant biology from September 1, and to the headship of the department of plant biology.

Dr R. J. Fowell, lecturer in the department of geotechnical engin-eering to the readership in excavation engineering from

October 1. Professor J. B. Clark, head of the department of law, to be dean of the faculty of law from August I.
Dr R. H. Dye, senior lecturer in the department of pure mathematics, to the headship of the department

Bristel
The following honorary degrees are
to be awarded in July:
MA: Mr Douoise Merris, sensual manager.
Bristol Old Vic. Mr Evan Wright, registry and secretary of the university bits Stella
Saywal, chairman, Avon Contre. Biding
for the Disabled.
Ditt: Sir David Piper, director, Astunciaan
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woodsaare of Enelish, Camprigite University.

George Jefferson, chairman, Telecom.

Distant Mr P Maxwell Davies, con

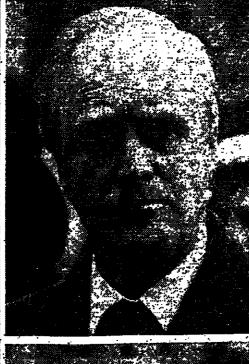
Sussex
The following honorary degrees will be conferred at the summer graduation ceremony on July 17:
LLD: Sir Adam Thomson, chairman and chief executive of the Chiefonian Aviation Orous.
Dilet: Lord Bullect, Master of & Catherina's College, Oxford.
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Appointments
Mr Keith Pavitt, senior fellow, science policy research unit, has been appointed to the R. M. Phillips chair of science and technology policy studies, from October I.

Dr Aaron Sloman, reader in philosophy and artificial intelligence, has been promoted to a professorship, from April I.

Dr S. Mann has been appointed a

Smitch Telecom: £76,500 to Dr C L Eden for research into facilitating the effective provision of independental and quantitative data to managers, within the coalect or story, necessary, managers and the coalect of th







Macmillan remembered: Among the mourners at yesterday's memorial service for Viscount Macmillan of Ovenden were (clockwise, from top left): Mr Winston Churchill, MP, Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone and Mr John Profumo, the former Conservative Cabinet minister. Viscount Macmillan's father, Lord Stockton, aged 90, the former Mr Harold Macmillan, decided not to attend yesterday's service: He attended his son's funeral earlier this month. (Photographs: Chris Harris).

Memorial services

Viscount Macmillan of

Ovenden, MP The Queen was represented by Lord Somerleyton at a memorial service for Viscount Macmillan of Ovenden, MP, held at St Margaret's, Westminster, yesterday. The Prince of Wales was represented by Earl St Aldwyn and Princess Alexandra by the Hon Angus Ogilvy. Cannon Trevor Beeson officiated, assisted by Canon Donald Gray, who led the prayers, and Mgr Alexander Nadson, who pronounced the blessing. The Lord Chancellor, the Prime Minister, the Lord President of the Council and Viscountess Whitelaw, the Speaker and Mrs Weatherill, Mr David Steel, Leader of the Liberal Party also representing the Leader of the Social Democratic Party, Lord and Lady Home of the Hirsel, Mr Edward Heath. MP, and the Deputy Lord Mayor of Westminster attended. The Earl of Stockton, OM. father, was represented by Viscount Macmillan of Ovenden, son.







Latest wills Violet Carson leaves £193,000

Mrs Violet Helen Carson, of Blackpool. Lancashire, the actress, pianist and singer, who achieved international fame as Ena Sharples. in the long-running television serial.

Coronation Street left estate valued at £193,190 net.

at £193,190 net.
Mr Kenelm Ricardo Peter
Bousfield, of Colchester, Essex, left
estate valued at £728.578 net.
Mr Reginald Meredith, of Stockport, Greater Manchester, who died
intestate, left estate valued at
£497.628 net. Mr Ronald Kinloch Anderson, of Hampstead, north London, pianist and piano teacher, formerly artistic director at EMI Records and the pianist of the Robert Masters Quartet left estate valued at £173,843 nct. He left his music







Among those present were:

Colonel W. J. Shoolbred

Requiem Mass

Sir John Best-Shaw

A memorial service for Colonel Walter Shooibred was held at St Michael's Church, Chester Square,

vesterday. The Rev E. G. H.

Saunders officiated Brigadier W. M. T. Magan read the lesson and Mr John Brunel Cohen, chairman of the

"Not Forgotten" Association, gave



Mrs Joyce Mary Davenport, of Bathwick Hill, Bath, left estate valued at £1,177,451 act.

Church news First Bishop of Bolton named

Eton College

Lent half at Eton College ended yesterday. The Newcastle Scholarship has been awarded to D. W. Runciman, OS. The Newcastle medallist is J. F. Boff, KS, the Wilder Divinity prize has been awarded to J. N. B. Carleton Paget, OS, and the Keynes prize for Economics to W. V. Wellesley. The Content's prize for French has been Queen's prize for French has been awarded to J. P. S. Whyatt, KS, amd for German to W. J. Hely-Hutchin-E173,843 net. He left his music valued at £1.177,451 net.

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The Right Rev David Galliford Suffragan Bishop of Hulme since 1975, has been appointed Bishop of Bolton. The Queen approved the creation of the Suffragan See of Bolton last month.

Science report

The mussel's misfortune, amid the politics of pollution

But the mussel's misfortune is man's – and, more specifically, scientific man's - gain. Mussels are ideal "sentinels" for studying the extent and

many ways they might have been bred for it. They are widespread

extremely (especially the species Mytilus edulis) through the world's coastal waters, and therefore offer a constant metabolism as a baseline for sampling; they are sedentary; they concen-trate many of the more important pollutants by factors of at least a thousand over their seawater concentrations, on immense headstart for the analyst, and they are common

will have no appreciable effect

Bivalves generally are nu-usually resistant to pollutants and often survive where other organisms have perished. They are easily transplanted from one area to another, making comparisons of polluted and less polluted en-vironments relatively simple. and they respond much more quickly to pollutants (or the absence of them) than the seawaters and sediments

watch" has been organized by several countries since the

an international mussel watch, possibly under the anspices of the United Nations Environingly : reasonable estimated cost of less than £500,000. . The proposal is felt to be especially urgent in the light of apparent increases in the use of persistent chlorinated hydrocarbon pesticides in the southern bemisphere and the tropics. Developing countries, it is feared, are picking up where the West left off after the environmental dangers of those substances were first

ment Programme, at a surprissouth may now be the same. It is down to the mussels to adduce evidence either way because, in the diplomatic words of one scientist, production and use data concerning pesticides are virtually unobtainable so long as "sov ereign nations categorize them as proprietary information to protect their economic interests or their environmental attitudes". Source: The Siren, no 23. United

OBITUARY

AHMED SEKOU TOURÉ

President of Guinea

President Ahmed Sekou Foure of Guinez, who died on March 26 in Cleveland, Ohio, at the age of 62, was the most radical of the leaders to emerge in France's Black African colonies during the struggle for independence. Unhappily, in later years he became known as one of Africa's most oppressive rulers, although a "moderate" in international affairs.

He was the only national leader in the French African territories with the singlemindedness and self-confidence to opt for complete independence and severance of ties with France in the referenda of 1958. It was perhaps easier for him to take this courageous step as Guinea's economy, being largely based on exportable minerals like bauxite, was less dependent on traditional French markets than the other mainly agricultural francophone

His aim was the creation of what he called une democratie populaire, a one-party state based on Marxist principles and launched with revolutionary slogans like "Better proverty in liberty than riches in slavery". If his achievements in terms of economic prosperity, individual liberty and administrative efficiency and honesty often fell short of expectations, he himself showed a remarkable talent for survival in the face of considerable internal and external opposition.

Sakou Touré was born at Faranah in upper Guinea on January 9, 1922. His parents were peasants and his only advantage of birth was a clan kinship with Samory Touré the national hero of early resistance

to French occupation.

A Muslim. his early education was at a local Koranic school and a technical school at Conakry. Here he was expelled for his part in a food strike and thus missed the opportunites for higher education in west Africa and France which were open to other Africans of his calibre. He became a largely self-educated man and always retained a scorn for the French educated evolués and the intellectual élite who tended to dominate nationalist movements in the French-speaking territories. From humble employment as

a clerk in a subsidiary of Unilever called Niger Français and in various government departments, he rose quickly by hard work and organizing ability to a position of power in the trade unions and political parties associated with them both in Guinea and in French west Africa as a whole.

He founded the Guinean branch of the Confederation Général du Travail in 1946, and took over the leadership of the Parti Démocratique de Guinée in 1952. Through these organisations he made contact with the Rassemblement Démocratique Africain which embraced the whole of francophone Africa, south of the Sahara, and with the French CGT and the World. Federation of Trade Unions, all of which were then under Communist influence.

He was elected Mayor of Conakry in 1955. Deputy for Guinea in the French Assembly. in the following year, and by 1957 when his party won 56 out of the 60 seats in the newly established territorial assembly, he was the undisputed leader of a country which, because of his Marxist ideas and Communist affiliations and the strength of his popular support and party organisations, was regarded by many as the most explosive powder-keg in west Africa. He used his powers under the new constitution to destroy the powers of the traditional chiefs and replace them by village councils and to pursue a policy of radical Africanisation.

When in 1958 President de Gaulle offered the territories south of the Sahara the choice by referendum between limited affairs should be chiefly rememautonomy within the comfort- bered as the Draconian ruler of



Community and complete independence out in the cold, Sekon Foure led his country to opt alone for the latter. He was predictably elected the first President of the new Republic of Guinea.

Suddenly and in some ways harshly deprived of the benefits of the long-standing French connection. President Sekon Touré turned to the USSR and for a time enjoyed a honeymoon period of economic and cultural relations with the East. in 1961 however he found grounds to expel the Soviet ambassador, and thereafter pursued the policy of non-alignment in international relations which was then becoming fashionable and profitable among the emergent nations of the third world.

He flirted for a time with the idea of a union between Guinea Mali and Nkrumah's Ghana, and was an enthusiastic supporter of pan-African conferences and aspirations, but after 1964 he became increasingly preoccupied with his own: domestic problems and with protecting himself and his regime against real and imagined threats both within the country and from ouside.

In November 1970 he was nearly unseated and killed by an attack launched from Portuguese Guinea and this led to an intensification of the rigours and the isolation of what had aiready become a barsh and closely regulated

Guinea became known as one of the most brutal of Africa's one-party states. Thousands of political prisoners were tortured and hundreds condemned to death by starvation, including the former Secretary-General of th Organization of African Unity, Diallo Telli, who had been a close adviser of Toure's but eventually fell victim to his paranoia, being accused, while minister of Justice, of involvement in a tribalist plot.

In spite of this reputation, Sekou Touré reappeared on the international stage in his last years as a "moderate" Islamic figure, closely associated with таззап whose cause he championed in the dispute over Western Sahara. In 1982 he led the delegation sent by the Islamic Conference Organization to attempt mediation in the Iran-

He also played a leading role in the last Franco-African summit in Vittel, and he was expected to host the OAU summit this summer, thereby becoming the next OAU chairman.

Sekou Tome was an honest, tough, brash and colourful man who drove himself and others hard. He was strong and handsome and sometimes charming, and ha seemingly inexhaustible energy in pursuit of his political aims and his private pleasures. He was a fine speaker and possessed a charismatic quality which in his early years elicited fanatical popular support. It is sad that a man who set out with such distinclive ideals, and achieved such singular distinction in African able framework of the French a country with a million exiles.

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PCBs and DDT, petroleum hydrocarbons, and heavy enough that frequent sampling

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seventies, and the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization recently sponsored the formation of a sponsored the formation of a task team on marine pollution research and monitoring using commercially exploited shell-fish as determinants.

Now a meeting of coastal marine scientists has called for

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The Times Midland Correspondent.

Craig Seton, looks at Britain's second city

which in earlier days claimed to house

1,000 trades. Now the search is for new

jobs in high technology industries and the service sector

Birmingham's postwar pros-perity has been shattered, but Britain's second city is vigorously disinclined to be regarded as a has-been. Instead, it is becoming boastful again, actively encouraging a brash, self-confident image as it sets about the mammoth task of generating new wealth and creating desperately-needed

OU JOU

The wealth of this city of over one million people ran right through into the early 1970s. Only now are the newspaper cuttings chronicling its rather self-indulgent sense of well-

being turning yellow.

A decade can be a long time in the life of a city. The area's heavy reliance on metal bashing industries - cars. foundry work, electrical and mechanical engineering - made it especially vulnerable when the fierce winds of the recession tore through the old, insecure manufacturing base.

Birmingham intends to rely heavily once again on the innovative and entrepreneurial skills for which it was renowned. Regeneration, though, can still be a dispiriting business. The triumph of new jobs created can be quickly put into perspective when another industrial giant dumps several thousand jobs in one go.

Mr Harold Blumenthal, chairman of the city's powerful economic development committee, said: "One of the worst problems is that Birmingham was too early on the industrial scheme. A great deal of our industrial buildings were Victorian or early 1930s and not at all suitable for the modern industry we need now. One of our primary aims has been to recycle those sites to make space available for new developments. We also hope the advantages of Birmingham's communications, with excellent motorways and rail links and an international airport in the heart of the country, will

balance out the deficiencies". The drive for new jobs is concentrating very much in two areas; the creation of modern, science-based and high-tech industries, and the expansion of service sector employment. The city council, at present Tory controlled, believes that public money should be used - in large amounts - to "prime the pumps" get projects off the ground and demonstrate the

confidence that will attract sector investment.

to the local economy.

The city council proposes that it should put up about £90m of the cash involved, the rest to be attracted from the private sector. Recently, a council delegation wen council delegation went to Brussels to state its case for EEC aid for the scheme and is hopeful that up to 40 per cent of the council's share could be met

Difficulties facing even the optimists in Birmingham are 324,000 jobs were lost in the West Midlands - 96 per cent in some wards which also have all inner city deprivation.

Facing these problems, Birmingham's leaders adopt a nononsense, "let's get on with it" approach and are scathing about their counterparts in other depressed conurbations where, they say, the only noticeable movement is the

The Conservatives, who re-turned to power in May 1982, set about council service and manpower with Thatcherite the first time in 40 years, by 15p (12 per cent), which they said saved a large ratepayer like BL £500,000 a year. The budget for 1984-85, which at £373m is:

It is not surprising, therefore, that council leaders queue up to state their excitement and enthusiasm for the city's largest project, a proposed £121m international convention centre for the city centre. The complex of halls and a five star hotel which, if built and completed by the end of the decade, should provide up to 2,000 new jobs and bring at least £40m a year

Councillor Neville worth, the Tory leader of the council, says the project will bring Birmingham new jobs, new wealth and attract international attention. Mr Bernard Zissman, chairman of the general purposes committee, said: "It is part of the 1980s revolution in the city. Manufacturing will still form the main plank of our industry, but we are having to move into the service sector, which is labour intensive, and redirect jobs

exactly in line with the Government's larget, will see a second from Community funds.

enormous. Between March 1975 and March 1982, about manufacturing. Unemployment in the city is just under 90,000, as high as 30 or more per cent in usual problems associated with

anguished wringing of hands. vigour. The rates were cut for

rate cut of about 5p (41/2 per cent). The authority's manpower will have been cut from over 56,000 four years ago, to about 48,000 in the next West Midlands Region financial year.

Mr Bosworth, the council leader, said it was imperative that before the council played its part in generating wealth, it "gets the basics right" We are continually combing

our services and getting more efficient at a lower cost. The Government and the local authority are setting the climate to get things moving to revitalize and regenerate the economy of Birmingham."

The Conservatives have a majority of only three and may well hand over control to Labour in the May elections. Councillor Dick Knowles, in a recent policy statement, said: We must concentrate the major part of our programme on those firms that are doing well, whose long-term prospects are good, but who may be facing financial problems at the moment

Special attention also had to



POPULATION (1981 Census)

Birmingham City City Centre (1980 Est) West Midlands 2.628.419 Metropolitan County 5,148,345

BIRMINGHAM PROFILE

Public Open Space 7,228 acres

be paid to science-based industries. Aston Science Park "should prove to be the touchpaper for a new explosion of technical skills in the city."

The Tory administration's rate-cutting zeal has put pressure on the Labour group over its policies. The group is not slow to take part in the usual ideological jousting and protests vigorously about cuts in services. In reality, however, there is a considerable degree of bipartisanship. It says it will not exceed the Government's spending target and has supported job creating activities. It also committed to the

Private sector dwellings built 1982

housing within 5 yrs : Estimated dwelling

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980 acres

Road distances (and rail times) To London 105m (1h 31mins)

convention centre, "provided the finance is available". One scheme in which the council played a dual role with the private sector is well off the ground. The city and Lloyds

Bank each out up £1 m and with

the University of Aston has created the Aston Science Park. The University of Birmingham, with city help, has also created its own Institute of Research and Development to improve and extend the "technological transfer" between

university and industry. Last year created a develonment and promotion unit, with a budget of £2m a year and staff of 16, to dovetail its numerous economic initiatives into a

To Bristol 81m (1h 29mins) To Glasgow 292m (4h 20mins)

CITY CENTRE PROFILE

Retail floorspa (1977) Off-street car 2,123,000 sq ft net park spaces

The development should clear, concerted drive. A concreate about 1,000 jobs. It is vention and visitor bureau is in intended to attract a wide range operation to develop and of new and existing companies, promote the city's increasingly keen interest in lucrative "business tourism". workfore

While the council seeks EEC aid for the convention centre and the science park, it is still at odds with the Government over regional policy. The imaginative and enterprising Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce best sums up the local attitude: The West Mid-lands should be able to compete for investment on equal terms with areas elsewhere in Britain whose unemployment levels are areas of capital expenditure devoted to the rehabilitation of actually lower, but as long as the Government is committed to an

Tom Caulcott, Chief Executive of Birmingham

City Conocil: "This is a

brash, dynamic and goahead place prepared to knock things down and start

again . . ."

Pictures by John Reardon

the city's ageing housing stock and buying up land and "recycling" old factory sites. Housing capital expenditure is currently £121m - three times the level of 1981-82.

The massive shopping, office and road developments in the city centre of the 1960s and 1970s may give Birmingham a brash, bold, not to say inelegant visage, but in the inner city areas many of the old problems remain. An estimated 180,000 dwellings are regarded as unsatisfactory, 20,000 people are on the housing waiting list, and demographic changes now mean that the largest demand for council accommodation is

from single people.

About 15 per cent of the population is now living in households where the head of the family was born in a New Commonwealth country or Pakistan, and many of the ethnic "Brummies" are living in the poorest areas.

The council has sold more than 6,000 council houses to sitting tenants. Many of the 429 high-rise blocks in the city - the result of slum clearances - are now themselves in need of urgent repair. The council has an extensive programme of council housing improvements at a cost of £31m this year.

Mr Tom Caulcott, the city chief executive, joins the elected leaders in his refusal to be downhearted or pessimistic about the city's future.

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Two major schemes in the

city have recently attracted

record urban development

Henry Boot. A new concert half

and lecture theatre will also be

While attempting to regener-

ate industry, there are also large

built there for the city.

by industrial giant IMI.

grants from the Department of the Environment. One of nearly "This is a brash, dynamic £6m - the largest granted in the country - is towards the £23m and go ahead place, prepared to knock things down and start again", he said. "It does not bill for development of a high quality engineering park on 45 accept failure easily. When the acres of land at Witton, owned economic upturn comes we must be ready to take advantage of it as much, if not more, than any other local authority in the country".

But for all the confidence. especially those likely to draw there is more than a note of on the city's skilled engineering cautious realism. Councillor Blumenthal said: "Birmingham An UDG of £4.7m has also is in a very difficult situation. been granted towards the £35m Paradise Circus development, We are losing jobs in thousands and gaining them in tens and hundreds. We cannot do the job four office blocks, an hotel and multi-storey car park, which is ourselves; but at least we can being created out of a partnerprime the pump. ship of the city and developers

"At worst, we are getting money circulating and at best we are creating new industry. I am not pessimistic. The local authority can give leadership and set an example. We are the "enablers" - we will let people do their thing and be a success."

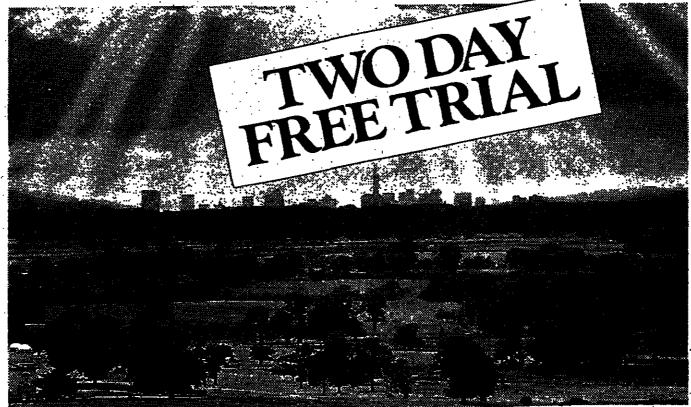
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The race to put a city back on its feet

Birmingham's nineteenth cen-city the home of internationally manufacture and associated tury development produced the aphorism, the city of a thousand trades. Statistically spurious perhaps, yet the phrase accurately described a broad, buoybright and Wilson and IMI. economy. Birmingham's

rich diversity provided an industrial heritage which ranged from innovation in science and technology to craft trades (jewellery, gunmaking and silver), brass and copperware, manufacturing (cars, engineering, toys and chocolate) and banking (Lloyds).

The city's coat of arms proclaiming "Forward" correctly suggested vigour and confidence. Birmingham had surged ahead as an urban workshop, "made in Birmingham implying a worldwide market penetration for its products. In the twentieth century. Birmingham's longstanding ability to harness science to industry and to

The National Exhibition Centre:

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famous names: Leyland, Tube trades. Investment, Dunlop, Cadbury-Schweppes, Lucas, GKN, Al-

Perhaps the writing was on the wall for a long time. The international shift of economic gravity away from Britain and western Europe, first to North America and then to Japan and South-east Asia has been a secular movement of long standing. British exports have progressively lost their competitive edge and there has been a sustained failure to invest in and reinvigorate aging indus-

Structural change in the national economy has meant manufacturing now accounts for less than one-third of all jobs. Some regions with a larger share of declining industries have been hard hit: the West Midlands suffered through market its product made the its concentration of motor

Nationally, the many difficulties have culminated in a rapid collapse of the economies of British cities, an experience which Birmingham has not avoided. The big city which for many years had been a magnet of attraction for both people and manufacturing activity has now become a pole of dispersal. New economic growth has sought out locationally advantageous sites in the suburbs and beyond the green belt in the expanding towns, and a reverse tide of population flow is leaving the unlovely cities for

The effect on Birmingham has been disastrous. Between 1971 and 1982 more than 126,000 jobs were lost in the city, a figure similar to the whole of Scotland and far in excess of that of Wales. Moreover, the worst may not yet be past: if there were to be a further decline of total employ-ment in the West Midlands region of 10 per cent by 1990, and this concentrated on manufacturing, then a further 48,000 jobs in the city would go. The chain reaction in employment sees manufacturing generate a demand for local services, from which earnings support a range

of personal services. Since 1945 Britain has operated a regional policy. Successive legislation has varied the scale and direction of aid to regions in economic difficulty. but basically a stick and carrot policy has sought to control development in the Midlands. East Anglia, the South and the South-east and provide grant and infrastructure investment for the remainder of the country. Birmingham conspicuously failed to benefit from a strategy based on a concept of redistributing footloose indus-

There is now much greater realism about regional econ-omic planning. If there is no The City Council offers a footloose industry to redistibute, attention must turn to a revival of local economies in the cities themselves. If Birmingham was the unintended industrial development group victim of the asssisted area of the city planning department policy, it must explore the both provide help and advice to policy, it must explore the potential of local effort and self

The efforts made over the Enterprise Workshops; at pre-

the Aston Science Park, a joint venture with Lloyds Bank and the University of Aston. There is also the Innovation Centre, a joint enterprise with the National Westminster Bank, intended to provide guidance and advice to low-to-medium technology industries. The Information Technology Centre is another joint venturer with the private sector to provide training in computers for young people. Finally, four industrial improvement areas have been declared tone comprising the jewellery quarter) in which the

Meanwhile, the city council makes full use of urban development grants to help stimulate private sector investment. The two largest schemes approved nationally are both in Birmingham: a £4.68m grant for commercial development at Paradise Circus and a £5.7m grant for an industrial engineer ing park at Witton.

Enveloping - a protective covering developed for sheltering troops in the Falklands used by contractors in the City Council's Envelope Scheme to protect residents while work continues on their homes.

and private sectors are praise-worthy. Much more has been for embryonic commercial done than is generally recog-Other city initiatives include nised. For a city in economic

> renovation of premises can be grant aided and the environment improved.

Heavy public sector invest-

containing 60 individual units ment has as its context the application of medical and high urban programme, implemented through the partnership committee. Since the Inner Urban Areas Act. 1978, there Economic change can be painful; at a time of national and international recession, it is has been a vigorous attempt to sure to be so. Successful

adaptation to new circumswitch the stream of resource allocation from the outer metropolitan areas to the inner stances demands creativity. Birmiogham's institutions in the form of local government, cores and economic aid has private industry, commerce, banks and higher education The University of Birmingseem collectively to have both ham meantime has launched an Institute of Research and the energy and the ideas. It is a race against time. Development to foster links with industry and commerce and to enhance the transfer of

however, social protest at unemployment and declining life chances feeds too readily on slowness and failure.

Gordon E. Cherry or buildings for manufacturing. Professor of Urhan and Regional rather, its concern is with the Planning, Dean, Faculty of creation of prototypes, the Commerce and Social Science, exploitation of products and the University of Birmingham.

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past ten years by both public sent there are three of these The Black Country

demolition process of the ten- last summer.

Its expected demise will bring proposes that the police, fire an end to an unhappy decade of buses and local rail services local government in the West should be run by three separate Midlands, but the fiercest joint boards, made up of arguments being fought out in appointed district councillors town and county halls is over from each of the seven district

It is an argument that cuts right across party lines. Behind joint boards.

Indeed it seems they want to expunge the very word "West Mr Bosworth explained that Midlands" from the municipal the opposition of the districts vocabulary.

They created the term West Midlands ten years ago. I do not belief that they are just more like the term. Nobody knows quangos. where it is. If you say you come from Coventry everybody knows where it is. I do not know even if there is such a thing as the West Midlands", said Councillor Neville Bosworth, the Conservative leader of Birmingham City Council.
"Somebody who lives in

Wolverhampton is more likely to go to New York in their lifetime than to go to Coven-

It is that feeling that the towns and cities of the West

In the next few weeks the House Midlands have different probof Commons will debate a bill lems and characters that has led that will start the two year to such intensive lobbying since

change, it can scarcely be criticized for a lack of initiative.

enough and on a large enough

scale has yet to be seen.
The dire problems are being

tackled at a number of different

levels, and by different agencies,

both public and private. The

question of the availability of industrial land is a matter for

the planning authority. The city

at present has about 4,600 acres

in industrial use and it has been calculated that about 1.250

acres of additional industrial

land will be needed over the

next ten years in packages of

new, larger sites, as for example

comprehensive package of aid.

The Business Employment

Scheme run through the chief

executive's department and the

new business enterprises. The

latter manages the city's New

Whether it can all happen fast

year-old West Midlands County
Council.

The Government's White
Paper, Streamlining the Cities.

But a lobby organized by the Vest Midlands Districts Westthe scenes some leading Con- Committee, chaired by Councilservative advocates of abolition lor Bosworth, is pressing hard of the metropolitan county for the West Midlands Police councils have been working and Fire services to be broken hard to fight off the Government's proposals to replace the ment's proposals to replace the county council with a series of should be set up, the seven district councils argue, is the

Passenger Transport Authority. committee to the joint boards does not stem from the popular

"We have at present a police authority which deals with 3.5 million to four million people. It is too large and we think it would be more efficiently run and more economically run if it is divided into three forces."

Those three forces would cover the Black Country (made up of Wolverhampton, Sand-well, Dudley and Walsall); Birmingham and a third force covering Coventry, Solihull and possibly Warwickshire, which currently has one of the smallest

forces in the country. The seven districts argue that breaking up the police and fire will mean more accountable policing, closer liaison with teachers, the youth services housing management and the social services provided by the district councils.

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been part of this strategy.

technology. Rather differently

from a science park, it is not designed simply to provide land

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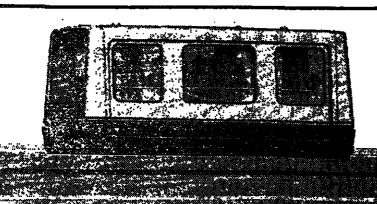
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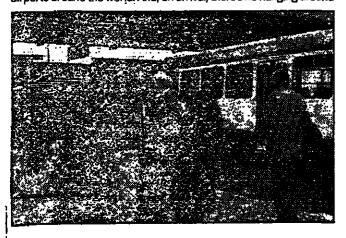
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Arguments still rumble about the 'West-Midlands'

"Each of the three forces will cover a population of more than one million people. They will be larger than many existing forces up and down the country", said Mr Bosworth.

When 2 delegation from the West Midlands districts met Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State at the Home Office, on Feb. ruary 8, they were able to back up their case with a submission from Sir Philip Knights, the Chief Constable of the 6,700 strong West Midlands Police

"We are awaiting a decision from the Home Office. The Department of Environment, we are assured understand ou case and are on our side in this matter", said Mr Bosworth.
"The White Paper proposing abolition of the metropolitan county councils does not argue for uniformity across the country. It says it will be flexible on arrangements. The fire service

can go with the police."
Officially all the Home Office will say is: "At present there are no plans to change force

Not surprisingly the lobby for

the break up of the West Midlands Police and Fire services has the support of Councillor Jack Edmonds, the Conservative leader of Dudley Council, one of the four Black

Country boroughs.
But Mr Edmonds has managed to bring along with him the Labour leaders of Wolverbampton and Sandwell as well as the Conservative-Liberal coalition in control in Walsall.

Indeed a "mini Black Country council" has developed in recent months. It started with joint meetings to discuss the problems caused by discuss the limestone workings.

Mr Edmonds said the main argument against the plan came from those opposed to the abolition of the County Council.

Councilior Gordon Morgan, the Labour leader of West Midlands County Council has said:
"If you put the district councils in the same room they could not agree tomorrow was Tues-Mr Edmonds said: "This is

not the case in the Black Country. In the coming weeks the leaders of the four authorities will be considering a

major independent study of how they can work together to promote the economic regener-ation of the Black Country."

They also intend to cooperate on a whole series of other issues: highways, derelict land reclamation, telecommunications and social amenities. In part the Black Country desire to go its own way once again is based on an anti-Birmingham feeling. "Whatever happens if we have just boards Birmingham early home ways." Birmingham will have control of them. That is enough to unite both Labour and Conservative against Birmingham," said Mr

At the eastern end of the conurbation, Coventry City Council echoes the Black Country sentiments.

"We vigorously fought against the establishment of the West Midlands County Council. We advised the then Conservative Government it would not work as well as the system before 1974. But they did not listen", said Councillor Peter Lister, Labour leader of Coventry City Council.

Coventry itself is separated from the rest of the conurbation

by a green belt known as the Meriden Gap. Mr Lister believes that all the proposed joint boards will do is make Coventry part of a Greater Birmingham as they would meet in the City and would probably be chaired by Birminghamn representatives.

Ideally, he would like to see a return to strong single tier district councils in both metropolitan and shire areas with a regional tier of government that

The Government's nouncement approving the establishment of West Midlands Freeport at Birmingham International Airport adds it to the list of 400 freeports throughout the world. It is estimated that the £2.5m first phase of the scheme will cover about 15 acres, incorporating over 100,000 square feet of

would run health, water, planning and even higher education. He points out that the West Midlands Districts Committee is not the united voice that some might portray it as. For example, a document issued last

savings that would result from the abolition of the West Midlands County Council was

disowned by three of the Labour district councils. "We still think the present system is the best solution on

offer. The services will need to be continued. The case to save the County Council grows stronger every day." But while publicly the Labour Party attempts to maintain a united stance, privately Labour district leaders have added their

support to the plan to break up the police and fire services. Leading Labour councillors on the controlling group at County Hall privately admit they will be lucky if they can do more than keep the West Midlands Passenger Transport Authority going on a county-

But Councillor Bosworth and Councillor Edmonds have powerful friends in Whitehall and Westminster. Both sit on an ad-hoc Department of Environment Committee, chaired by Lord Bellwin, the Local Government Minister, which meets monthly to discuss the

rate-capping campaigns.

In the past government ministers have complained that they are unable to aid the West Midlands because there was no

united voice speaking on the region's behalf. But in recent months on such issues as regional aid and the freeport the region has begun to "get its act together", as Mr John Butcher, Parliamentary Under Secretary for Industry,

has put it.
The founding of the West Midlands Industrial Develop-ment Association, the forum of the West Midlands County Councils and numerous other lobbies will ensure that the case continues to be pressed in Whitehall and Brussels.

The passing of the West Midlands County Council looks set once again to reestablish the municipal sovereignty of the cities and towns of Birmingham, Coventry, Solihull, Wolverhampton, Sandwell, Dudley and Walsall.

Alan Travis The Birmingham Post Midland Political Correspondent

Birmingham is fortunate not to have found itself in the same position as its neighbour, Coventry, with the bulk of its workers concentrated in a few major companies. But its large companies provide the bedrock of an economy which generates the legendary thousand trades, many of them practised over the city's western boundary in

the Black Country.

The city formed the nucleus for engineering giants like Austin, confectioners such as Cadbury's, and brewers, including Ansells. But the present day city has seen a change which over the past five years has swept away much of the established pattern of industry.

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The former BSA factory in Small Heath, for example, was bulldozed years ago when the final remnants of its motorcycle manufacturing closed down. Now, even the gunmaking rump which was the foundation of the business has moved to smaller and cheaper premises. Austin, now part of the stateowned BL Group, is a shadow of its former self, though massive injections of state capital and astute management mean that it is fast recovering.

Cadbury's has had to rationalize the hundreds of chocolate lines it collected over the years by automated production which led to labour cuts and the results are beginning to show.

But Ansells is a casualty of poor industrial relations with which the city is unjustifiably branded. The brewery at Aston Cross was closed three

The changes to a city, from beer to chocolate

components.

Pakistan.

the autumn.

The Longbridge plant pro-

duces the 25-year-old Mini,

whose end must surely come soon in spite of continued demand. It is also the home of

the Ital saloom car and its

derivatives, moved from Cow-

ley. Ital production is almost

finished and the line is going to

Honda-designed Triumph Ac-

claim from Cowley, and pro-

duction of a revamped version

with a Rover badge will start in

In a study commissioned by

Midlands County Council, the unit identified 100,000 jobs in

Birmingham and the West

Midlands directly dependent on

the company.
It warned that if more

Labour-controlled West

Longbridge is to get the

years ago after workers objected to rationalization plans and struck. That ended a long best sellers, justifiably dubbed the group's "survival" car. Since then, the new investment has largely gone to the twin plant at Cowley, near Oxford, but makes many of the group's brewing tradition and almost a

thousand jobs.
Today, the brewery site is being redeveloped for small industry, and some former Ansells workers have set up their own mini-brewery near by. Birmingham is the centre of Dunlop's tyremaking operations. Fort Dunlop stands prominently for travellers on the elevated M6 motorway. But change is in the air, and the Japanese flag will fly over part the site when Sumitomo takes charge of some of the

There remains a question mark over a thousand jobs making car tyres which Sumitomo did not want, while Dunlop reviews the future. There are bright spots, however. The huge Austin Rover plant on the city's southern edge at Longhridge was the first in the group to receive one of the longpromised new cars of the BL

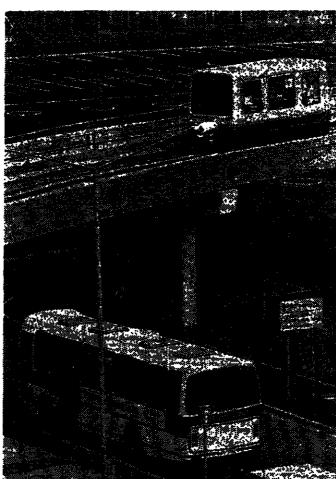
range.
The Metro, launched in 1980. is consistently in the top five losses. But Austin Rover's sales are recovering and its new model range appears likely to capture at least 20 per cent of the British car market and to sell well overseas.

The problems faced by Lucas Industries, the electrical and aviation group based in innercity Hockley, reflect those of Austin Rover and the motor industry. Job cuts at Lucas's Birmingham factories bave been massive, and the group had a £21m loss in 1981.

GKN is even more dependent on the motor industry, and its problems have been greater. Its workforce has been halved in four years, at a cost of £200m. It lost £1.2m in 1980, and although last year's recently declared profit of £88.1m was twice that of 1982, it was only half the level of the best year on a similar turnover. Sir Trevor Holdsworth, the chairman, said trading profits were getting

But businesses closed in Birmingham are not going to return. The group is investing, especially overseas, and it is even moving its group offices out of rundown Smethwick to Redditch, the satellite new town where a great deal of the city's industry decamped from squa-

lid inner-city factories. TL still better known in its longer form as Tube Investments, is in a similar position. The group has suffered horribly components were imported as from the rundown of engineer-Austin Rover has threatened, it ing industries, and the vicissi-would lead directly to job tudes of once major markets



By road and rail: the MAGLEV passenger shuttle service between Birmingham's International railway and airport

like Nigeria, where it sold

The company's main factories are outside the city, but it retains tube manipulation and its main office. A merger is planned of TPs cold drawn steel tube business with British Steel on a site at Oldbury to the west, closing its Rocky Lane plant in the city at a cost of 200 jobs.

IMI did not make a loss in the worst of the recession, but it has cut staff and operations to survive. The company recently announced profits of £31.5m, which showed a strong second half recovery. Sir Robert Clark, the chairman, hailed that as the first corner on the road to recovery. It has sold off a major lossmaker in its rolling mills, merged with McKechnie Metals in Aldridge near by, rid itself of zip-fasteners, streamlined and changed production of shotgun cartridges and has converted a large part of its Witton site into an industrial estate.

IMI's great success is the Cornelius operation, which makes drink dispensing equipment. That operation has doubled trading profits and the growth is led from the US.

Cadbury Schweppes, located at Bournville, is still shedding jobs, with the automation of chocolate manufacture. Chairman Sir Adrian Cadbury has been an advocate of slimming operations by selling off parts to employees and buying back the

The company saw profits rise

£107m, with sales only 14 per cent ahead. Four hundred jobs are being lost at Bournville over

Birmingham's newer indus-tries are holding out better hopes for employment. Horizon Travel has been growing fast, with its own airline based at East Midlands Airport.

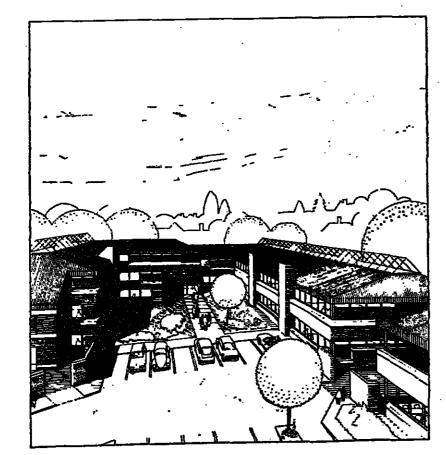
The company has 400 employees in the city, and although its profits fell last year by £2m to £12.6m, it is forecasting a good future.

Applied Computer Techniques is another high flier. The company began life 20 years ago as a computer bureau, and now has a turnover of £100m a year, which chairman Mr Lindsey Bury confidently expects to double. Its United Kingdom manufacturing base is, however, in the Silicon Glen of Glenrothes in Scotland and not Birmingham, attracted by grant aid much to Mr Bury's regret. The company's prosperity is based on the American Sirius microcomputer which it distributes and is bidding for manufacture, and its own Apricot micro.

ACT epitomizes Birming ham's problem. Like the rest of the West Midlands, the city has been unable to attract sunrise industry with massive grants. The future may well lie with the myriad smaller companies.

Graham Sidwell Industrial Correspondent, by 19 per cent last year to Beacon Radio. Wolverhampton

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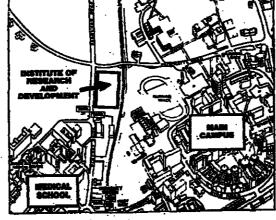
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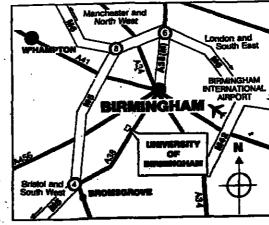
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No failures accepted in the hothouse at Aston Park

Aston Science Park, which replaced by others anxious, and press and public relations. nurtures the high technology perhaps even desperate, to grasp ideas of budding entrepreneurs the extensive facilities and help through research into commer- the park offers. cial marketability, has been open just over a year. Nine science park tenants occupy about one third company, calls itself a venture of the 50,000 square feet of capitalist. It was formed "incubator" units in phase one through a partnership of Bir-of the 27 acre development, mingham City Council and Two more are expected next Lloyds Bank which each put up month on the site, which is £1m. and the University of adjacent to the University of Aston itself. A further capital Asion, Britain's largest techno- development fund of £2.9m is logical university which con- carmarked for expansion. tains the largest business school

broken in the testing "hot- business support services not house" atmosphere of the park. likely to be found outside a Although it exists to ease the well-established and successful creation of a new enterprise, enterprise, including plush conwill be asked to leave, to be visual aids, secretarial service a research institute to have any

Birmingham Technology, the management

Birmingham Technology, through the park, offers fledg-Companies will be made or ling companies a range of

These normally expensive want people to judge us now, trappings, though, are unlikely but to come back in a few years to make the difference between and see what we have done." success and failure of a new company. More important is failures are likely to come that Birmingham Technology before the successes."

offers access to its venture Nicholls said. "We have to have capital fund to help new the courage to work through companies get off the ground. that and have faith in what we The park offers close and vital are doing. The city always saw links with the university's this as having a 10 to 15 year management school and re-horizon. If an idea is not search facilities and academic working we will let the people staffs. Lack of cash, manage-ment experience and R and D have a try. can kill a company at birth.

"A science park is the The science park idea is not ultimate development in action new. Mr Harry Nicholls, the learning. It only began to dawn park's chief executive, said: "It on Birmingham industry in the took the industrial science park last few years that its prosperity at Stanford in California about those whose ideas do not work ference rooms, telex and audio 30 years from its conception as automatic. The city has now got of the last 40 years was not a technology and enterprise gap and if we can create one small spot of success, then perhaps it

will have a ripple effect. "We are trying to break down the barriers between our entrepreneurs and the universities so that businessmen can make good use of university facilities. particularly those for research.

Many British graduates think
only of working for a large
company, not for themselves.

"As they see examples of high technology entrepreneurs down here doing work that is still challenging and makes money, then perhaps we will build that idea into their

Ideally, up to 25 small companies would occupy incubator units at the park, though space must be left for individual enterprises to expand. A typical company might spend two or three years in the first phase of the development, housed in a superbly refurbished, 100-yearold former factory warehouse.

Perhaps after that the strengthening company could move into one of the larger, but still flexible, "venture units" which are planned alongside. After a period of around five expertise and ideas of its research teams and to give years the successful company would be expected to move out entrepreneurs and industry the of the rarefied atmosphere of opportunity to work closely with academics. The company

Less than two years ago Tom Davenport was redundant and a

building society was pressing him hard for repayments on his

mortgage. Today, he runs his own business, designing com-puter-aided engineering systems

of Aston Science Park, employs

nine people and expects to have

a turnover of £250,000 next

Davenport Computer Systems

is one of nine small companies

using the facilities at the science

park. Tom, a physics and

engineering graduate, was made redundant by Dunlop, where he

Mr Nicholls believes that will operate the university's new field site for the science park

Professor John Samuels, Pro vice chancellor and chairman of the institute, said: sized companies who want to take their research through to the development stage and perhaps to the prototype stage and they will be able to work on campus with academics. We have lots of ideas and industry

knows how to develop them."

A number of companies of Birmingham has formed its already are associated with the institute, including one formed by members of the university's medical school to manufacture

The rise of Tom Davenport

all types of manufacturing and also run training sessions.

Although he did not need help from the park's venture capital fund, Tom says that the

facilities and advice at the park vere invaluable. "To start with,

the name of the park really has

some clout and it brought people

The other companies resident

mobility to new job areas: Aston

Technology, which has com-

menced British assembly oper-

ations for a new 68,000 based

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Tom Davenport: a

realized had much wider appli-

company to fork out £12,000 to fund his own work on a computer system for designing tennis rackets, a system he

After working in a back-bedroom of his home, he formed his own company in May last year and moved into the science park where he now employs six full-time staff and three part-time. including an Aston university student who undertakes re-search. Tout and his staff put together computer systems for

to us who otherwise would not have come. The science park cthos will spread, I am sure." at the park are PH Marshall, designing and manufacturing high technology quality control uspection systems: Techsonix (UK), developing and marketing a sonic digitizer system: Occupational Services, researching and developing techniques o selection and training to help

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Q. Which of the following organisations is most concerned now; about the development of the West Midlands area—the Covernment, the employers, the TUC, or the West Midlands County Council?

A. Emphatically, the West Midlands County Council!

It was far and away the most popular answer in a recent NOPs poll. West Midlanders of all agus, and of many different walks of life

development than any other single group or body. This big thumbs-up from the people comes at a time when the Council is more active than ever in its efforts to promote jobs in the

The West Midlands Campaign for Jobs is well underway, with a series of practical initiatives all directly geared to saving or

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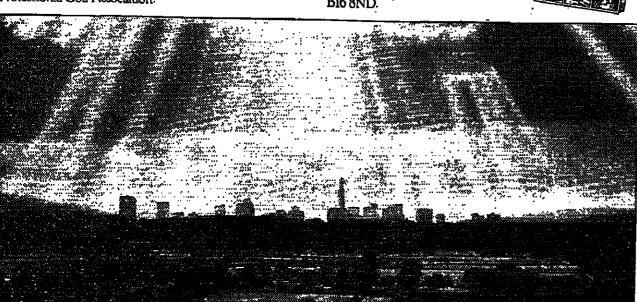
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Moving into the lead as the telecom capital

Birmingham is rapidly develop-ing into Britain's telecom-munications capital" - a point promoted vigorously by those trying to attract new businesses

The second city is already the best-served telecommunications centre outside London. British Telecom is offering an extensive range of services in the provinces, and good communi-cations with the capital, and the city is to be the hub of the Mercury communications net-

Still a major engineering and manufacturing centre. Birming-ham is developing into other business activities stimulated by the National Exhibition Centre and other developments within the city. All the major clearing banks have a strong presence in the city, and Standard Chartered and County Bank is among the merchant banks represented. Overseas banks have been attracted, and the United States banks have also been active.

The financial community has shown itself to be light on its feet, parrying the blows of the recession and restructuring itself for the better days ahead.

John Rice, assistant director of Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce, said the banking and financial community had seen the longterm prospects of Birmingham and the rest of the West Midlands as being more than

just encouraging.
"The last few years have seen a steady if undramatic growth in the number of foreign banks that have moved into Birmingham", he said.

now the second major financial centre in the United Kingdom, and we are looking forward confidently to the arrival of even more overseas financial

institutions."

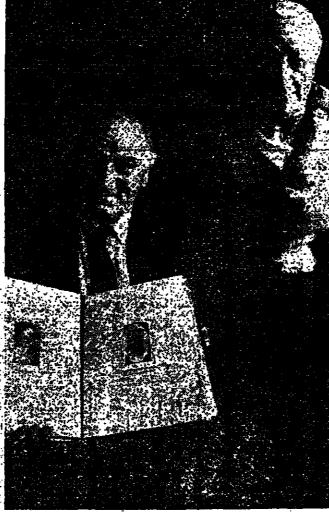
David Drake, newly appointed regional director for Lloyds Bank, said it was trying to play a part in the regener-ation of Birimingham. Lloyds has invested in Birmingham Technology, which runs Aston

Science Park. Mr Drake said: "A slight improvement in the economic prospects for the region showed up to us last October, and significantly it has not gone: away. We are quietly optimistic about the prospects for the next two or three years, although it will be a while before com-panies begin investing in fixed

Lloyds Bank started in Birmingham in 1765. We see ourselves very much as a Birmingham bank. Mr Drake

The clearing banks starting to introduce CHAPS, the electronic same-day settle-ment system, and Mr. Drake said this had been received enthusiastically by multi-nationals operating in the city. "For all practical purposes, Birmingham is as good as London for business houses dealing in Britain", Mr. Drake

Overseas banks have seen the potential of Birmingham as an international banking centre, and those in the city include Banque Nationale de Paris, the longest established French bank



and fro-ing" by foreign based banks, in the words of Mr Roy Clifford, agent for the Bank of England in Birmingham. Citibank and other United States banks have been active, looking for business in the gap between United Kingdom clearing and merchant banks. They also go down well in the down-to-earth

Midlands with their blunt

Mr Roy Mortimer, treasurer of the Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce, said: The US banks did a lot of homework about Midland companies, and found the right way to sell themselves."

Merchant banks have also established themselves in Birmingham. Standard Chartered arrived about 12 years ago when it detected the potential from developing export trade.

David Drake of Lloyds Bank with a bust of the bank's

founder Charles Lloyd:

Birmingham will be regenerated'

Manufacturing firms in the Midlands looked to the merhant banks for their expertise in handling financial trans-actions with firms abroad. They wanted someone nearer than London. Mr Mortimer said: London. Mr Mortimer said: They did not mind the bank being in London when everything went smoothly, but they wanted someone in their own city to turn to when, as increasingly happens when you start exporting, things begin to

go wrong."
The heart of Birmingham's financial life is its Stock Exchange - the only one in the country where visitors can walk around the trading floor. It was founded in 1845 during the railway boom which led to the opening of stock exchanges outside London. The strong entrepreneurial spirit of Bir-mingham people sent them scrambling for a share in the

Revived asset

The failway boom quickly faded, but it left Birmingham with the asset of the Stock Exchange, which was revived by the new bicycle industry in the 1890s. The birth of the motor industry which followed was to play a vital part in the development of all Birmingham's financial institutions.

Birmingham has been an important insurance centre since the middle of the nine-teenth century, when Britannic Assurance and Wesleyan and General started up in the city, and have kept their head-quarters there ever since.

Britannic is one of Britain's big five insurance groups, and this summer it embarks on its most ambitious promotional campaign since it was founded in 1866. For the next three years it will sponsor the county cricket championship.

Like the Prudential, Britannic started as a home service company, selling policies direct to families and sending a man round once a week to collect the premium. Britannic still sees home service (or "industrial insurance") as the basis of its business, and has an army of 2000 full time area. It still gives 3,000 full-time reps. It still gives a personal service and does not deal through brokers, but has now developed into a full range

The city also has its own building society which, since a merger with a West Country rival two years ago, has been the Birmingham and Bridgwater. Many Birmingham people spend holidays and weekends in the West Country and often retire there, so there are strong links between the two regions.

of insurance services.

Mr Michael O'Neill, general manager since the merger, says the advantage of a smaller society is that it can make decisions more quickly than large ones, and its senior staff is more accessible.

21 missions produce £6.6m in orders

 Birmingham Chamber Industry and Commerce, formed in 1813, is the largest chamber outside London and represents about 4,000 companies. Since 1965 it has organized about 300 outward trade missions to most parts of the world. According to information given in the House of Commons, the chamber's 21 ns in 1982 and in the first half of 1983 reported £6.6m in orders taken and £140m as potential follow-up business.

in Birmingham, with offices in the suburbs reflecting the trend for families to shop more often near their homes instead of travelling to the centre.

Placed as it is in the centre of England, Birmingham has obvi-ous geographical advantages. Partly for this reason - and also because of major Birmingham firms like Lucas and the Austin All the major building Rover Group - it is developing societies have a strong presence into the most sophisticated

telecommunications outside London.

Walsall and Brownhills, towns to the north of Birmingham, were the first to have a fibre optic link installed by British Telecom, which two years ago opened the longest such link - between Birming-ham and London. The link (strands of high quality glass thinner than a human hair) carry telephone conversations between Birmingham husi-nesses and the capital, with a high quality of sound and no chance of a crossed line.

Flexibility of a different kind will be offered by Mercury, the private communications company granted a licence to will be at the centre of Mercury's "figure-of-cight" communications links, stretch-ing down to London and Bristol the south, and north to Manchester and other centres.

BT expects some firms to put 30 per cent of its telecommuni-cations business with Mercury, but BT expects to remain the dominant force

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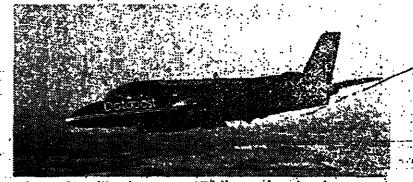
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A conventional pride

Centre, opened eight years ago, has cost Birmingham people only £1 per head per year, its promoters are fond of saying. Moreover, they say, it makes a profit and pumps about £80m a year into the local economy. The boast that the NEC has

confounded the critics who warned that a major exhibition centre outside London could not work is likely to be heard with increasing frequency in the corridors of Birmingham City Council, which put up the original cash.

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That is because the council is pushing shead with another ambitious plan — an international convention centre for Birmingham costing about £121m. Three quarters of the cost, about £90m, will be met by the city council and the remainder is to come from the

The Labour group on the Tory-controlled council say they will go ahead with the convention centre "provided the finance is available." As they may take control of the city council in the May elections their view is crucial. But, in a city that has prided itself on its rate-cutting budgets, there is still some worry that a £90m investment by the authority in such a scheme could overstretch resources.

Council leaders also dismiss suggestions that an inter-national convention centre would take business away from the NEC, which was designed specifically for larger exhi-bitions, trade shows and prod-uct launches in its 100,000 quare metres of space.

The convention centre will be specifically designed to handle meetings of less than 4,000 or 5,000 and already its promoters have their eyes on study group, mail company and international society meetings, many of them held for numbers of less

Mr Philipe Taylor is chief executive of the Birmingham

The £50m National Exhibition Convention and Visitor Bureau which was set up out of a partnership between and city and private groups catering for

business meetings and travel. He estimates that business tourism is already worth about £160m a year to the local economy, most of it from the NEC, and believes there is plenty of opportunity to bring additional cash into the area through the convention centre.
If all goes according to plan

its construction would start nextyear and the city is looking for a completion date in 1989. Mr Taylor estimates that up to 80 per cent of British conference business is made up of meetings of less than 500 people and that the centre will be in an ideal position to compete for such gatherings.

Just as the NEC made its enemies in snatching lucrative other centres and still pitches hard for more, the convention centre will compete ruthlessly and certain British cities and are well aware of the threat looming large on the horizon. Mr. Taylor said: "Birming-

ham is probably the one loca authority in Britain with the biggest capital stake in business The city was now aiming to

ncrease its share of meetings of international associations and study groups, such as the International Society of Physiological Societies, which has 1,200 delegates from all over the world, the International Association of Radiological Societies and the International

Association of Chiefs of Police.
The NEC now has land available to expand by 50 per cent to about 150,000 square metres its floor space when the economic climate and incom ing business dictate. The NEC attracts about 2.5m visitors a year, but it wants many more.

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Index falls

14.6 points

Shares fell over a wide front yesterday with the FT 30 share index suffering its worst reverse for seven months. It lost 14.6 points to 875 points as markets

worried about this week's sudden flood of rights issues

and the continuing possibility of cash-consuming Government

Sharply improved profits

from some of our top companies failed to steady the market and profit takers decided to cash in

some of the gains they scored in

progress.
The selling gather pace as the

day progressed. At the first count the FT Index was off -just 0.2 points at 889.4. Market report, page 24

STOCK EXCHANGES

FT-SE 100 index:1101.9. down 17.8 High: 1117.3. Low: 1099.9 FT Index: 875.0 down 14.6

the recent share upsurge.
Only one FT 30

constituent, Bowater.

privatization moves.

THEX

FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

A precedent is set for deferred tax treatment

The case for a cautious view of the banks because of the tax changes affecting their leasing business was reinforced by Standard Chartered's results yesterday. Standard has decided to make full provision for British deserred tax arising from leasing in its accounts after allowing for a 35 per cent corporation tax rate; the result is a £36m extraordinary charge. The Standard board clearly believes it will have to pay all the deferred tax piled up in its balance sheet, at some stage in the future, albeit at a lower corporation tax rate. Leasing has not been such an important tax shelter for Standard Chartered as it was for the big clearing banks. but it is hard to see how they can now logically reach a different conclusion about deferred tax liabilities. National Westminster, for instance, shares an auditor with Standard Chartered in the form of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell.

ACTUARIES INDICES

Factors.

If the clearers take the same line it would mean extraordinary provisions in the order of £1 to £1.5 billion, which would have damaging effect on balance sheet ratios. Rights issues would surely follow. It is not surprising that Standard & Poor's, the US credit rating agency, has put Barclays. Midland and National Westminster on its Creditwatch list, which indicates there could be a change in their credit ratings.

At least one of the big four is at present veering to the view that the extra provisions might be spread over several years, which would certainly soften the blow. And the stock market is divided between those who think the gloom has been overdone and those who believe the full impact has yet to sink in. The first indication of how the clearers intend to tackle the problem seems unlikely to emerge before their annual meetings.

On the look-out for an ill wind

Pity the mortals charged with overseeing the Government's monetary targets. On the finest of days they must be searching the skies for signs of an impending storm. Though on the face of it the Government's new target bands for broad and narrow

money look eminently achievable, those professional pessimists in the Treasury and the Bank of England are already on the lookout for clouds.

On the international side, the United States is the main worry. While it is fashionable to talk of "decoupling" British interest rates from the Americans', there is a limit to how far this can go without upsetting sterling and dulling the market's appelite for government stock, the chief instrument for keeping broad money growth within bounds. At the very least, events across the Atlantic threaten to put a floor on rates here at close to present levels. On the domestic side, the chief concern is bank lending to the private sector - and more particularly the personal sector - which has been the key determinant of broad money growth over the past couple of years.

The latest analysis of bank lending by the Bank of England is tantalizingly opaque on what is happenig now, because definitional changes have made comparisons with previous figures unreliable.

The encouraging news is that personal lending is not accelerating and may be slowing down. In the three months to mid-February lending for house purchase (not seasonally adjusted) rose £554m (4 per cent) about two-thirds the typical increase last year. Lending for other items rose by £516m (4 per cent), also rather less than last year. Nevertheless, consumer borrowing from banks is expected to stay fairly buoyant in the coming months.

The less welcome news, for the monetary guardians, is that there appears to have been a pickup in lending to manufacturing after a year in which industry actually repaid bank debt. (However, of the £930m - 5 per cent increase, an exceptional £440m was in food, drink and tobacco.)

The Government is hoping that cashrich companies will pay for the expected investment surge this year and next out of their own coffers or will turn to the capital markets, encouraged by the Budget measures. But the effect of suddenly accelerated investment programmes, as companies rush to take advantage of short-lived capital allowances, could yet

Fighting over the US tiger

The Distillers Company (DCL) is in the process of buying a drinks distributor in the United States. Arthur Bell & Sons, its much smaller scotch whisky competitor, has just bought one. Both may be climbing astride a tiger. For DCL, the purchase of Somerset Importers for an expected price \$300m is essentially a defensive move, despite the fact that it is the company's first big corporate takeover in years.

Somerset already distributes and largely relies for its profits on DCL's Johnnie Walker Red and Black Labels. This exclusive contract is up for review in the summer and Somerset is for sale following the takeover of its parent group last

But Arthur Bell's purchase of Wellington Importers for \$16.5m is a highly ambitious move. DCL brands collectively dominate the giant if mature US scotch whisky market. Arthur Bell, which dominates the home market, has in the words of its chairman, Mr Raymond Miquel, "a 0.00001 per cent share in the US" and wants much more.

Mr Miguel is as ambitious for growth there as he was in Britain 10 years ago. Half-year figures from his company vesterday show why. Pretax profits are once again up - from £17.6m to £19.1m and in the second half the group expects to make more than the £13.7m it recorded last time. The interim dividend is being increased by 12 per cent to 1.4p.

But despite the undoubted quality of

Arthur Bell management and a constant marketing drive that would exhaust most of its competitors, Arthur Bell's growth both at home and in established export markets is clearly slowing down.

At home the group claims to have held volume sales during the second half of last year. It also claims to have held its market share at something over 20 per cent, despite the Johnnie Walker Red Label

Exports, on the other hand, fell by 4 per

There is strong reason for both Bell's and DCL's plans in the United States, but neither can be awarded points for a downward movement in the dollar will eat deep into scotch profit margins and could force price increases with a knock-on effect on volumes. The health lobby in the United States is beginning to turn its attentions to hard liquor, and it is uncertain what the long-term effect of any concerted campaign would be.

Far more serious, however, is the possibility that Federal excise tax on spirits will be raised substantially for the first time in more than 30 years. It is election year so its is unlikely to happen until 1985. Some have suggested it will then double as one way of reducing the budget deficit. This would be extremely serious for DCL and would stop in its tracks any marketing drive that Bell launches. Bell believes that the maximum likely rise is 30 per cent. DCL must be hoping it is right.

Time to clarify takeover code

The Takeover Panel, in preparing its new simplified rule book, ahould do at least two things: rationalize regulations governing substantial acquisitions of shares and simplify the rules for raising a bidder's stake from 30 per cent to over 50 per cent in a takeover battle. Both are complex and confusing, and now largely

redundant. The rules on substantial share acquisitions were introduced by the Council for the Securities Industry to deal with "dawn raids." Originally, a predator could buy up to 30 per cent of a company in one market swoop. The most famous dawn raid was Mr Harry Oppenheimer's purchase of 30 per cent of Consolidated Gold Fields. Today the limit is 15 per cent initially. All purchases thereafter are also regulated.

Debt-laden Bowater spins off US business with cash call

By Philip Robinson

Bowater Corporation, once premier newsprint company, vesterday appounced it was spinning off its North American print and pulp business into a separate company, to be quoted on Wall Street.

The companied a one-for-eight rights issue at 215p to raise £41m. and news that pretax profits for the year to end December rose by almost a third to £40m.

Dr Ingram Lenton, the managing director who will also succeed Lord Erroll of Hale as chairman on completion of the North American demerger, made it clear that the British end of Bowater would become

aggressive predators on com-piction of the deal.

Bowater itself has been lipped as a takeover target for three years. Retained profits and patchy trading failed to feed the cash-hungry North American newsprint operation, and as a result divdends were cut and



down as chairman borrowings pushed to a record

per cent of shareholders' funds last year.

North America needs to spend \$450m (£310m) on capital equipment over the next three years. Demerging the operation from London will give the British arm almost £100m in assets, trade-mark sales and dividend agreements with the new North American

from the rights issue, will bring to Bowater in Britain £140m, to reduce debts and pay for expansion.

The Bowater Corporation will be split between Bowater Inc and Bowater Industries. Bowater Inc. will be floated on Vall Street at a price between \$18 and \$22 a share, giving it a market capitalization between \$525m and \$620m.

The capital structure will mean that sale to 25 per cent of the shares of Bowater Inc. will bring in fresh capital of between \$130m and \$160m, and the remainder will be distributed to existing Bowater Corporation shareholders, probably on the basis of one new Bowater Inc share for every ten already held.

Completion of the demerger will reduce debts of Bowater Industries from £261m to Dr-Lenton said the Bowater

Corporation had fought its way through a recession and Bowater made pretax profits 294p. believe we are winning."

costs of £33.7m, more than double the 1982 figure. The

underlying improvement in

per cent, while written-off

launch costs amounted to

BAe expects to cut its workforce by another 2,000 this

year. to 75,500. Sir Austin said

he hoped to announce more

orders for the short-haul 100-scater model 146 airliner

shortly. A government decision

on a new trainer aircraft for the

RAF, in which BAe is inter-

ested, is not however expected

The £100m civil aviation

BAe denied reports that it

stock relief. Taking the

of the national

-would be harmed by Budget changes on capital allowances

account, it expects to be better

off over the next three years.

back the A320 Airbus and BAe's

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£42.6m (£49.2).

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operating profit was about 12

£40m, against £30.2m last time on sales which rose from £1.56 billion to £1.62 billion. How-ever, it has written off £95.2m below the line in anticipated losses of companies which will be closed or sold. As a result £67.9m has been transferred from reserves to meet a total

payout unchanged at 7.75p.

A profits breakdown for the two separate companies shows that Bowater Inc's group trading profits on pulp paper and timber has gone from an annual £47.6m to £60.1m in the five years to the end of 1983, with almost 70 per cent of sales and operating profit coming from

Trading profits of Bowater Industries, which includes packaging, tissue products, building products, merchanting, paper and pulp have gone from an annual £51.3m to £51.4m over the same period.

in the stock market yesterday the shares rose 22p to 300p at

Debts drain

on Standard

Chartered

By Peter Wilson-Smith

Banking Correspondent

Hongkong and a disappointing

performance from commercial

banking branches in Britain

trimmed profits growth at Standard Chartered Bank last

Pretax profits rose from £242m to £268m. less than

expected, and there was also

some disappointment in the

stock market at the size of the

dividend. An 18.5p final left the

year's dividends 3.7 per cent

Bad debt provisions were up

from £83m to £134m. The

specific provision for clearly identified problems was up

from £70m to £108m, while

general provisions doubled to

higher at 28p.

more optimistic.

big textile group

Heavy bad debt provisions in

FT Gitts: 86.21 up 0.02 Bargains: 28.885 Datastream LISM Leaders Index: 114.08 down 0.7 New York: Dow Jones Industrial Average: (latest) 1151.70 down

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 10.528.36 up 44.63 Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 1131.25 down 25.70 Amsterdam: 167.3 down 0.3 Sydney: AO Index 736.2 up 4.0 Frankfurt: Commerzbank Index 1024.2 down 5.1 Brussels: General Index 146.32 up 2.52

Paris: CAC Index 162.5 down 0.6 Zurich: SKA General 305.40 up 1.40

> **CURRENCIES** LONDON CLOSE

\$1.4560 up 1.10 cents Index 80.3 unchanged DM 3.7550 down 0.01 FrF 11.56 down 0.03 Yen 325.50 up 0.50

Dollar Index 125.9 down 0.02 DM 2.6042 down 0.0193 NEW YORK LATEST Sterling \$1.4525 Dollar DM 2.5820

INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates: Bank base rates 8½ Finance houses base rate 9½ Discount market loans week fixed

The group is hapeful that bad debts will fall this year, and 3 month interbank 815/16-87/8 apart from some reservations Eurocurrency rates: 3 month dollar 101/--10% 3 month DM 5% 51/about South Africa is generally 3 month FrF 15-14% US rates

Hongkong branches slipped from profits of around £30m to Bank prime rate 11.50 break even after setting aside about £20m of bad debt Treasury long bond 961/32-9613/32 provisions. This largely re-**ECGD Fixed Rate Sterling Export** advanced turboprop jet had liceted customers' involvement | Finance Scheme IV Average in the property market and over reference rate for interest period

company. AT & T to Record BAe £82m join world disappoints the City

market From Nick Gilbert, New York Record profits from British redundancy and reorganization

year results for 1983 showed pretax profits of £82.3m, some

way short of market hopes for £90m.

A year ago BAe took the City aback with a £15.3m pretax loss, following a one-off provision of £100m to cover

potential future losses on its

civil aviation programme. Since

then the shares, first sold to the public at 150p in February 1981,

as part of the Government's

Sir Austin said last year was

good averall, with turnover up

12 per cent, exports up 7.5 per

cent and the order book up by

16 per cent. There were "a lot

of reasons to be optimistic for

Cash flow was positive by a

small margin last year and the

balance sheet was still liquid, he

said. The final dividend is being

increased by just under 8 per

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cent. to 9.1p share.

Aerospace and a generally bullish statement from the AT&T, the US telecommunications company, yesterday announced its long-awaited "chairman". Sir Austin Pearce, still failed to live up to the entry into the worldwide com-City's expectations yesterday. puter market. BAe's shares fell by 9p to The company is offering six 225p after the company's full-

models including desk-top supermicro computer. It is leading manufacturer of computers in the US, based on its UNIX operating system, but sales have been restricted to the Bell system telephone com-

Danies But AT&T was divested of its US operating companies from January 1 this year. The company is now free to sell computers worldwide and is set to challenge IBM and Digital Equipment

According to AT&T's vice-chairman, Mr James Olson, the company will be tackling the European market, including the Britain, in conjunction with AT&T took a large stake in

the Italian company three months ago in order to compete in the rapidly-growing market for office automation products.

Mr Olson said: "Our pricing strategy is simple. We aim to match or beat the industry's Initially, AT&T will be selling its computer range to original equipment manufacturers for resale and to a limited

number of large end users. to move as fast as we can to make our products available to all types of customers."
The AT&T's UNIX-based

products are aimed at a part of the information market which is expected to produce a revenue of \$7 billion by 1986.

Life insurers attack **Budget curb**

The life insurance industry last night launched a strong attack on the Budget proposal to remove tax relief on life policy premiums.

In a letter to the Chancellor, the Life Offices Association and the Associated Scottish Life. Offices say: The removal of this relief - over a century old -will discourage an essential form of prudent saving for old age or early death among

millions of ordinary people.

The many small savers who put aside modest sums per-month towards life premiums are hardly likely to turn to direct investment through the and the effect might be to reduce the amount of long-term savings available for invest-

Until March 13, Budget day there was 15 per cent income tax on life premiums of up to £1,500 a year or a sixth of income, whichever was the

Regan urges Fed to sustain growth

From Bailey Morris, Washington

Mr Donald Regan, the US special White House briefing as confident of winning a £50m order for two of its newly designed, automated container Board to supply sufficient money to the economy to sustain growth at the 4.3 per cent rate which is expected by Lykes signed a letter of intent the Administration. to buy the pair in London yesterday, and took an option for four others.

Mr Regan, mirroring the increasing concern of White House officials, said that despite stronger-than-expected growth in the first quarter of 7.2 per cent, the US economy was not overheating and should not be reined in by the central bank. ahead to a He issued his appeal at a inflation.

Treasury Secretary, yesterday the powerful Open Mar et urged the Federal Reserve Committee of the central bank met, only several streets away to take decisions on monetary strategy over the next

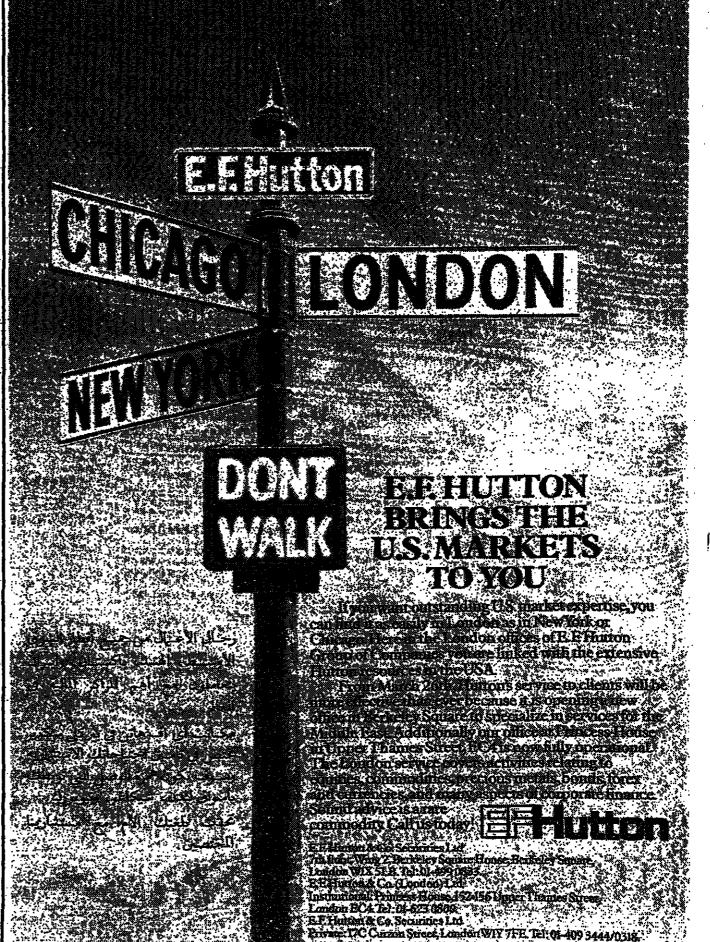
White House officials, concerned by the rise in interest rates and the nervous perform-ance of financial markets. feared that the central bank planned to take a decision to check growth in the weeks ahead 10 avoid a resurgence of

Firms face inflation rule

By Jan Griffiths

inflation accounting infor-mation in their annual reports if Accounting Standards

All public limited companies The statement of intent will be forced to disclose proposes a new accounting standard which will require companies to disclose infor-Committee approves a draft mation about the impact of statement of intent at today's inflation on their results in a note to the accounts.



NEWS IN BRIEF Profits soar at Delta Order near • Delta Group, the Midlands

for Harland

Harland and Wolff, the state-

owned Belfast shipbuilder, is

ships from the Lykes Brothers Steamship Company in the

Clyde Petroleum claims it is

close to a deal worth more than £160m with British Gas to buy the Wytch Farm offshore oilfield in Dorset, and that what

is needed is the Government's political will. Clyde reported

profits of £10.09m for 1983. The board is recommending a dividend of 0.9075p.

• Testing started yesterday on

the third well drilled by Gulf Oil in the Celtic Sea. renewing

speculation in Ireland that block 49/9, 20 miles off Wexford, could be viable commercially. The results are

expected next month.

United States.

engineering concern, reported a jump in pretax profits to £32m (£14m) for the year to end December. Earnings per share rose just under 10p to 13p, and a recommended divident of 1.93p brings the year's total payment to 3.75p (3.40). Tempus, page 24

Reckitt & Colman, the foods, household products and pharmaceuticals group. creased pretax profits to £88.76m for 1983, on turnover profits of £981m, up from £81,25m in 1982. A dividend of 7.85p makes a total of 12.4 for the year (10.75p). Tempus, page 24 Octopus, Mr Paul Hamlyn's book publishing company floated on the stock market a car ago, reported pretax profits for the year to end December from £4.8m to £6.3m. A dividend of 6p is recommended, making a total for the year

GOLD

Tempus, page 24

London fixed (per ounce): am \$389.10 pm \$388.85 close \$388.75-\$389.25 (\$267-New York (latest): \$387.45

Second cash call dents index

By Derek Pain

prospect of more privitization sales put shares in ragged retreat yesterday

The £41m Bowater Corporation cash call, coming a day unsettled the market and any lingering hesitant buying ennounced today.

News of a summer share flotation for Jaguar Cars, with the British Telecom sale due in October, was another dampening influence on the market. Profit-takers, with heady

gains to pocket took their toll.

apping the confidence which hitherto had been so strong. Although Bowster helped to cause the general decline, shares of the packaging and paper group turne in a firm perfor hance as the market warmend to its US demerger plands. At one time the shares were up 22p at 300 p but they could not entirely

and finished at 294p. Even some splendid comny results and a good set of trade ligures failed to inspire shares. Bowater was the only con-stituent of the FT-30 share

escape the more sombre mood

index, which fell 14.6 points to 875 points, to make progress. Gilts, however, were little changed. The inflation stocks were in demand, with the 21/2

per cent index linked 2020 ising half a point to £891/2. Bank shares remained subdued by soverign debt worries. insurances shares managed to class back some of their earlier falls, inspired by the Equity and

Law results. The shares were up

Rights issues - real and Bond Corporation after the imagined - and the daunting rights issue flop. With only 38.7 bucked the slide. Micro Busiper cent of the rights taken up. Bond, as underwriter, ends up

with 30.8 per cent of the capital. Elsewhere, brewers remained flat with falls throughout the after Exco's £68m exercise, list. The majors, which have recorded heady gains since the The company declared that it Budget, were hit particularly thusiasm was quickly suffocated hard with Allied-Lyons down as rumours grew that another 5p at 170p; Bass 10p off at 353p big cash call would be an- and Grand Metropolitan 6p lower at 324p.

> The bid for Border Breweries (Wreyhain) has drawn attention to Wales' other quoted brewery. Buckley's of Llancli. Despite soher trading prospects the shares have out-performed other regional breweries this month, gaining 8p to yesterday's 56p. Whitbread, which helped Thompson Marston. Exershed take over Border, has un interest in Buckley's and may attempt another Welsh

> Belhaven Brewery, down lp 38p. is parting company with Mr Eric Morley, chairman, who will collect £30,000 compensation. In October 1978, Mr Morley resigned as a director of Grand Motropolitan with a £200,000 "golden handshake)). Mr Nazmu Virani, whose family hotel and property company has more then 29 per cent of Belhaven, becomes

chairman. Atlantic Computers gained 25p to 480p with profits nearly doubled at £5.2m. The group is benefiting from a windfall profits increase after the latest interest rate reductions. Since rates were lowered this month, p at 740p. the company says has been Airship Industries gained 2p inundated with orders from to 60p on the increased cutomers wanting to take involvement of the Australian advantage of cheaper finance.

COGNAC COURVOISIER Le Cognac de Vapeleon

ness Systems returned from its suspension in spectacular style. hitting 475p against the 390p halt price. MMT Computers

stances which would justify such a movement". NMW Computers, however. fell 17p to 248p on profit after

Exco International remained sensitive on its £68m cash call. falling another 25p to 493p. Baltic Leasing suffered on profit-taking after figures, down 26p at 251p. but Glynwed International figures next month gained 7p to 158p and Laird Group, also due to report

next month, rose 8p to 126p. The rise in the share price of property-to-building group C. H. Beazer (Holdings) to a peak of 364p, up 4p, was explained by yesterday's news that interim pretax profits soared from £2.2m to £4.8m on a turnover up from £27,2m to £60.8m. The interim dividend is raised from 3p to 3.5p. That increase partly

Mr Christopher Selmes, the controversial financier of the 1970s, is rumoured to be the buyer of 2 per cent of Birnid Qualcast, the lawnmower group, Large lines of stock have changed hands recently on talk of a takeover bid. Birmid's shares were trimmed 4p to 104p yesterday as profit tokens moved

takes in 1983's takeover of property group, Second City

Mr Brian Beazer, chairman, pretax profits of at least £10.7m Swraj Paul's Caparo Industries.

The born leader

Other computer shares also are expected with a 15 per cent increase in the dividend. The second half is usually better than the first and added to that will be the £1m profit contribution from Mansall Newall, jumped 48p to 213p. The shares taken over in the first half. The group is staying on the takeover have jumped 68p since Friday. trail while also expanding its was "unawarw of any circumhousebuilding activities, particularly in the inner cities.

> demand because of the congestion in surrounding suburbs. Dealings started yesterday on the USM in W, and J. Tod, a spin-off from Beazer. Placed at 143p, the shares of this reinforced plastics group touched

186p but slipped 5p today. Although International Carpets has at last stemmed the tide of heavy losses with a deficit before tax of £630,000 compared to last year's deficit of £5.58m it failed to impress and shares slipped back by 3p to

For the fourth year in a row there was no dividend payment. The management claims to have an aggressive plan for 1984 which it hopes will afford

further recovery Dufay, the paints group, fell 2p to 24p on the 20 per cent profits decline. Myson, the air conditioning concern, gained 6p to 68p on its trebled profits: British Car Auctions rose 5p to 121p on the back of its 43 per cent profits increase and John-son Group, the dry cleaner. gained 9p to 353p its 12.5 per cent profits advance. Ricardo Consulting Engineers retreated 8p to 100p on its 34 per cent

profits decline. Blockhouse and its bankers likely. have changed sides in the battle for control of the company. Yesterday they agreed to rec-ommend a £9.2m cash and forecasts a good full year where shares takeover bid from Mr

Intervision profit plunges By Philip Robinson

Intervision Video, which announced a week ago it was raising £1m from shareholders, vesterday disclosed that its traditional film distribution business had plunged into the red.

For the six months to the end of last December, turnover almost halve from £3.3m and pretax profits fell from £420,000 to £65.000. But this disguised a £38,000 loss on video and cinema film distribution which where Mr Beazer sees renewed made a £420,000 profit last

> What kept the pretax profits in the black was £103,000 from a new video leasing business and £107,000 from one transactions, not detailed in the company's statement but involving licensing of certain

The shares eased Ip to 27p before recovering to close unchanged at 28p. Intervision. which came to the Unlisted Securities Market a year ago, is not paying an interim dividend. It is extending its financial year by five months to next November 30 and says it will further consider the possibility

of any dividend payments then. Last November, after a delay over the level of tax to be charged in retained profits for the 12 months to the end of last June. Extraordinary charges of £217,000 brought the bottom line figure down from £659.000

For the first of the present year the tax charge is £26,000 against £209.000 last time. But after recent Budget changes in capital allowance rates. provision for deferred tax is

The dramatic improvement from putting video libraries into garages, tobacconists and offlicences reported four months ago suddenly tailed off in the last few months of last year.

TEMPUS

Delta blows the froth off official growth cheer

services - are firmly fied to the months. British housing and general economic cycle, so comments that demand for electrical and ted, if indeed it happens at all, True, the group managed volume gains of as much as ? per cent, but only in certain areas, and the general picture is

Full credit, therefore, to Delta for putting its house in order to meet any boom which happens along. The visible impact of the recent restructuring showed through in an actual cut in 1983 operating costs of some £8m, and this looks to provide the base for sustainable profits growth, rather than the boost to pretax profits of some of the one-off elements, like lower redundancy charges; metal stock profits: and a boost to second half profits of £1.3m on termination of a long-term copper contract.

Some of the divisional gains look speciacular. Fluid Con-trols, the plumbing side, saw profits jump from £1.3m to uct business. The spearhead for £10.6m. while the metals division as a whole saw its pretax figure rise from £1.5m to £6.5m. although the metals gain was achieved on lower

But Delta emphasizes that its divisional recovery is coming from a low base, and as if to confirm the point, is increasing the total payout for the year only marginally, from 3.4p to 3.75p. The share price jumped 14p on the figures yesterday to 94p, and already brokers are pinning some raffish profits forecasts. in some cases as high as £42m (1983:£32m), to the group for 1984. Delta's response is to downplay the whole idea of instant growth, and point rather to its peristent capital expenditure programme which apparently is switching the whole group cost base away

Delta Group, the Midland from labour intensity. On metal-bashers, added a dash of acquisitions, the tone is equally reality yesterday to some of the cautious - only if they fit, and Westminster talk about only if they are cheap enough exponential British growth. With its eyes fixed on the Delta's four main divisions - longer term, the group looks set electrical gear, plumbing, cop- to ride out any hiccups in the per products and resource growth cycle of the next 12

Reckitt & Colman

plumbing products is no more Reckitt & Colman continues to than reasonable, with metals reap the benefits of improved just slightly improved, paint efficiency tighter cash control the British industrial heartland and a more steamlined operin grev. A sales gain on the year ation. It has squeezed profit of 1 per cent to £513m also margins up to 9.1 per cent at a rams the point home that time when there is great recovery from Britain's indus- resistance to price increases, trial recession will be protrac- particularly on foods, and has generated enough cash to reduce net borrowings by more than £18m

A much larger proportion of this reduction is now financed by cash generated from trading operations rather than dis-posals of businesses or fixed assets, an indication that the company is now better placed to finance its expansion intern-

Once again. Reckitt has chosen to split the net reduction between building up its short term deposits and bank balances and reducing loans and overdrafts. With net interest payments now down to a meagre £2.5m the incentive to reduce bank loans further is diminished substantially.

The policy of internally financed expansion is best illustrated in North America where the food profits are being ploughed back into developing a household prodthis assault is the aptly named-Bully lavatory cleaner. It has the awesome task of taking on Proctor & Gamble on its home ground and has so far performed remarkably well. After parallel trial tests Reckitt launched Bully nationally in August but P & G are yet to follow suit.

With a total US lavatory cleaning market of \$200m to play for P & G will not rest on their laurels for too long and Reckitt's \$17m marketing budget for Bully might need an

uplift when the pace hots up. It has been a shrewd move on Reckitt's part to move into this market so early. Not only is it relatively untapped but it also has a tremendouus growth potential. Americans spend enly one third of the amount. on lavatory cleaners and half that of the British. The market

is growing at the rate of 20 per cent a year.

Success from Bully is critical to Reckitt. If the product establishes itself it will provide a springboard for the launch of a string of household products and allow the company to take a firm foothold in this US market. Failure will not only drain resources from the foods division but also force a a complete rethink of the household products strategy in the

The results clearly impressed the stock market which lifted the share price by 15p to a high for the year of 483p.

Octopus Publishing Group

Mr Paul Hamlyn's Octopus Publishing Group has been accused of selling books like soap powder. Mr Hamlyn prefers the description of selling them like newspapers and magazines, aiming at the widest possible distribution.

The formula, if unorthodox book publishing circles. plainly works. Pretax profits in the year to the end of December rose 31 per cent from £4.8m to £6.3m. The present year has started well. with order levels both at home and overseas noticeably higher than a year ago.
Analysts' hopes that profits

will grow by at least a quarter a year for the foreseeable future are clearly not going to be disappointed this year.

The concept of selling full colour hardback books, usually published in conjunction with a well-known household name like Vogue, through previously untapped book-selling outlets such as Marks and Spencer and Sainsburys, was exported by Octopus with increasing success last year. Establishing similar links

with comparable retail names in the United States and Australia enabled the groups to take full advantage of a general upturn in the publishing business in the second six months of last year. The group sold about 21.5

million books last year, well up on the year before.

The ratings put on Octopus shares - which appear to have survived the abortive bid for W N Sharpe relatively unscathed - is predictably exotic. At 625p they yield just 1.4 per cent and stand on a price/earn-ings ratio of 26 after a 38 per

MONEY MARKETS

Period rates softened by about ½, per cent, where Shares were advancing broadly 1156, changed. The early morning saw in heavy trading. The Dow Adv with buyers picking up sterling certificates of deposit in most periods up to one year.

Sentiment had been helped by a slight improvement across the Atlantic overnight, and by the better performance of the

Interbank, overnight money changed hands at about 85 per cent for much of the day, although the close was quite tight with dealings up to 10 per cent in places.

The Bank of England was again quite accomodating in its operations to relieve a shortage of credit that increased from £350m to about £400m.

Government help totalling £388m enabled most of the houses to square their books at between 8 per cent and 81/2 per cent, although the unfortunate few were required to pay up to 9 per cent for balances.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

A healthy set of trade figures came too late yesterday to make any difference to sterling's closing trade-weighted index. which ended unchanged at 80.3. but the pound gained more than a cent at the finish to close at 1,4560 (1.4450).

It was also at its best levels of the day against continental

Dealers said the market was uneasy about the dollar ahead of Thursday's trade figures, which they expect will show a deficit of about \$9 billion (£6.25 billion).

Good West German figures pushed the dollar down from an opening level near Dm2.5880. and sent it down to Dm2.5780

at the close.
It lost 8½ centimes against
French francs to Fr7.94 and fell 1.65 centimes on Swiss francs-at Sfr2.1405, easing against the yen as well at Y223.15 (224.60).

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Economic commentary by Tim Congdon

Beware Treasury's false new religion of Mo

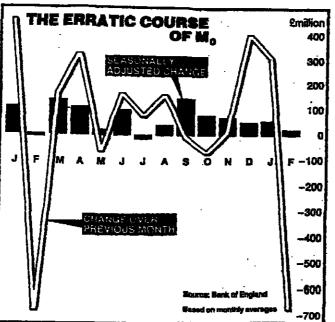
A new era has dawned in British monetary policy. Weekly figures for a money aggregate known as Mn are now being estimated. If the Budget speech is to be pelieved, the behaviour of Ma is to have as much importance for to have as much importance for policy-makers as the monthly

figures for sterling M3.

Since the money supply is almost a secular deity to the Thatcher government, the move towards weekly estimation. weekly estimation iowards deserves interpretation and comment. A ritual held every week demonstrates greater at-tachment to the faith than one held every month. The intention must be to demonstrate to unbelievers the sincerity and devotion of the high priests of

However, the weekly announcement of M₀ is not a solemn official occasion. The ligure will not be published by the Bank of England, except at the more traditional monthly intervals. In fact, there are several places of worship and, as tends to happen with all religion, interdenominational sparring has already broken out between them.

stockbrokers' offices in the City. The conflict arises because complete weekly data are available for most, but not quite publish a weekly return of its all. of M₀ constituents. To be more specific. M₀ consists of notes and coins, both in



circulation with the public and held in banks' tills, and banks' operational balances with the Bank. Since the Bank Charter Act of 1844, the Bank of England has been obliged to assets and liabilities. This weekly return gives information on the note issue and bankers'

balances, but not on coins. The coin issue is instead the responsibility of the Royal

> Unfortunately, the Royal Mint does not publish any weekly figures. Here lies the source disputation. The level of the coin issue between monthly

make-up days is not known and has to be assumed. It is no exaggration to say that the gap between the various

estimates may sometimes amount to 0.02 or even 0.03 per cent of M₀. Although the stockbrokers observing the sacrament of weekly M₀ may not in their heart of hearts believe that the path to monetary virtue is so straight and narrow, their clients will want to see a figure, an outward sign of inner grace, before they put anything in the collecting

It is a plausible surmise that many stockbrokers – who, to be honest, are more interested in the collecting bowl than inner grace – will start preparing weekly estimates of Mo. The practice, if not the devotion, will soon become general

will soon become general.

If the reader is a heathen and does not believe in money suply targets, he may find the new cult of M₀ at worst rather mysterious and at best extremely funny. The reaction would be both understandable and very unfortunate. Monetary control is an important subject. It has been essential to the containment of inflation in recent years and will remain essential to the eventual resto-

The trouble is that Me is essential to neither monetary control nor the containment of inflation. The Government's recent commitment to this aggregate is disturbing since it suggests a misunderstanding of the proper relation between ends and means in monetary

ration of price stability.

policy.
Strong emphasis needs to be placed on the intermediate character of money supply targets. Keeping the money supply within a target range does not matter in itself, but only as a means to the attainment of the ultimate objective of price stability. Moreover, as the money supply is not under direct government control, it is not a policy

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Sources: Bank of England, February Banking Statistics and February 15 Bank Return.

most evident. Mo is dominated by the note issue. When people have decided how much to spend, they obtain as many notes as they want by deposit

withdrawals from the banks
In other words, the quantity
of notes is determined by the
amount of spending and not the
amount of spending by the
quantity of notes. The jargon
for this is that the note issue is for this is that the note issue is "demand-determined". Mo may give information about where the economy is now, but it cannot give information about

Broad money aggregates, by contrast, are not demand-deter-mined. The economy can add

or lose notes transactions with the Bank which have no effect on output, employment and prices. But it cannot add or lose bank deposits, the main bank deposits, the main element in broad money, in the

way. Central banks have known about the monetary insignifi-cance of the note issue for decades. Indeed, it is an open secret that the Treasury has foisted Me on a reluctant Bank. which regards the practice of narrow money with scepticism and of targeting the note issue as rather silly.

If the Treasury and the

Chancellor persist with Mo. there could be years of unnecessary controversy. This will greatly entertain the Government's critics who deride the whole business of money supply targets as theological claptrap. Readers who are not heathers and do think monetary control is important should write to their MPs demanding immediate and summary abol-

The author is economics partner at stockbrokers L Messel & Co

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	1983	<u>1982</u>
Total Revenue	£1,393,247	£1,379,612
Revenue after taxation and expenses	£ 751,702	£ 767,635
Earnings per Ordinary Share	6.83p	6.98p +
Ordinary dividends for the year net per share	7.00p	6.90p
Net asset value per 25p Ordinary Share	426.0p	318.3p

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RECORD RESULTS d 1984 will be a very good year

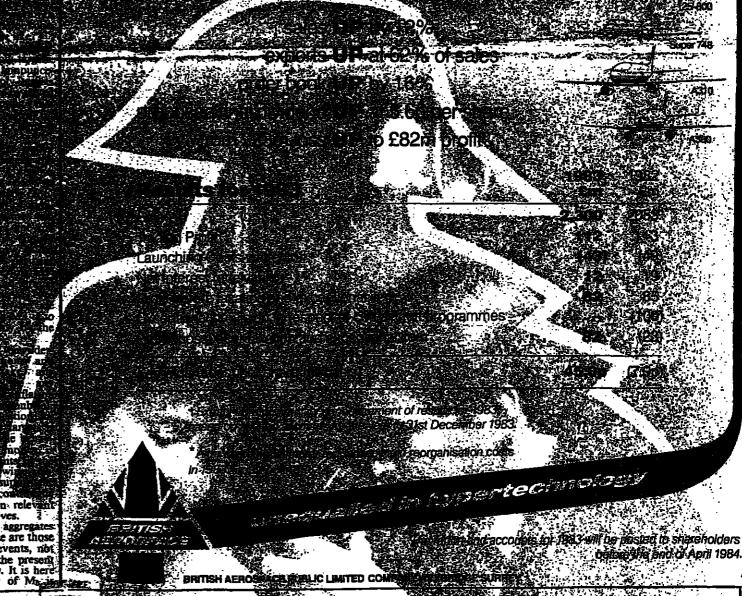
Bairstow Eves, the first residential estate agency to have its shares listed on The Stock Exchange, again achieved record results in 1983. The salient trading

- Profits up 53% to £1.8m
- Number of homes sold up 41% to !1,500
- Dividend up 75% (after allowing for scrip issue)

- Number of sales offices up by 43% to 66
- 14 more new offices acquired since year end
- Falls in interest rates, mortgage rates and Stamp Duty will stimulate housing market

"Residential sales negotiations for the current year have started exceptionally well and are running at record levels giving every indication that 1984 will be a very good year."





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America hit profits at Mr David vehicles for sale built up and been appointed to a £45,000-a-wickins British Car Auctions eventually have to be sold." much harder than expected.

10 per cent to 1.1p. But Mr Wickins said: "Al-

though these may look satisfactory, personally I am slightly disappointed. One of the few things that can upset the smooth running of our auctions stake. increased its half-year is snow, and this winter has been a pretty bad one from that

Heavy snow in northern Britain because of poor weather has not the board of Attwoods. His son, and the northern states of necessarily been lost, "Motor Mr. Mark Thatcher, has just

Turnover of the group, which Profits in the first half were is to open another auction site up by two-fifths, from £2.2m to in Preston this month, jumped holding. dividend has been increased by 10 per cent tp 1.1p.

The from £253m to £459m. helped by the expanding US business which is now under centralized management.

- Attwoods, the former Wolverhampton car dealers where Mr Wickins is also chairman and where BCA has a large profits from £330,000 to £591,000, mainly from sand and gravel extraction interests.

Mr Denis Thatcher, the second half, as business missed Prime Minister's husband, is on £4.3m to £4.9m.

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year job with a Lotus associate in the US. Mr. Wickens is chairman of Group Lotus, in which BCA has a large share-

The interim dividend at Attwoods has been maintained at ip on the doubled share capital after last year's scrip

EF Phillips, acquired last June, has been rationalized to the year with a net surplus of cut overheads and is now contributing to profits. Mr Wickins promises "a substantial improvement" on last year's profits of £1m. Turnover in the first six months was up from

Booker McConnell, one of funds of £14.7m, compared Britain's largest conglomerates, with net borrowings of £12.1m yesterday reported a 30 per cent at the end of 1982. jump in pretax profits to £22m for the year ended December 31. Earnings per share come out 31. Earnings per share come out doubled profits for the year fo at 12.1p. (up from 9.97p) and £6.4m (£3.4m), while food the group is increasing the total distribution also managed a

were unchanged on news of the annual figures at 113p. Group sales exceeded £1 pillion pounds during 1983 for

dividend for the year from

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Booker's largest division.

agriculture, produced nearly dividend for the year from healthy gain in profits, from 3.75p to 4.3p, an improvement £1.2m to £4.2m. Health prodof nearly 15 per cent. The shares ucts generated £3m (£2,2m), but spirits and liqueurs and shipping both showed slight downturns in profits,

The picture of group profits was distorted by acquisitions and disposals

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The Directors announce the results of Standard Chartered Group for 1983 as follows:

1983 RESULTS

	<u>1983</u> £million	<u>1982</u> £ million
Trading profit Bank and subsidiaries Share of associated companies	275.5 32.3 307.8	244.3 34.6 278.9
Interest on subordinated loan capital Profit before taxation	<u>39.7</u> 268.1	<u>36.9</u> 242.0
Taxation	<u>110.9</u> 157.2	<u>97.8</u> 144.2
Minority interests	43.5	30.2
Profit before extraordinary items	113.7	114.0
Extraordinary items	[24.3]	(1.2)
Profit attributable to members of the Bank	89.4	112.8
Dividends: Interim Final	14.8 28.7	11.9 23.1
Profit retained	<u>45.9</u>	77.8
Earnings per share	77.1p	85.7p

DIVIDEND: The Directors will recommend at the Annual General Meeting on the 10th May, 1984, a final dividend of 18.5 pence per share, making a total distribution for 1983 of 28 pence per share. The final dividend will be paid on the 18th May, 1984, to shareholders on the Register on the 19th April, 1984.

P.J. SPOONER Secretary

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

Brent Chemicals ahead

The American recession, particularly in the aerospace industry, remained a drag on profits at Brent Chemicals International last year. But overall group profits were up from £3.4m to £4m despite poor trading in most markets until

the last three months. Géaring has been reduced further from the 20 per cent seen half way, to 8 per cent. The total dividend for the year is 2.8p against 2.5p last time.

JOHNSON GRP CLEANERS:

fty-three weeks to December 31. 1983 (52 wks). Second interest (to be 1983 (52 wks). Second interest (to be confirmed as final) 9.24p making 12.42p (10.8p). Figures in £000. The group turnover 56.989 (50.731). Trading profit 6.748 (5.759) being dry cleaning 5.364 (4.635) and textile rental 1.384 (1.124). Pretax profit 6,303 (5.608). After interest 549 (499). Exceptional dbt 221 (42).

WESTERN MINING CORP. the corporation has been advised by BP Australia of BP's intention to withdraw from the Stuart Shelf exploration joint venture in South

Australia on September 9.

• F & C EUROTRUST: The company expects 1984 will be a satisfactory year for European stock markets so long as the governments continue to pursue sound monetary policies. Continental investors are increasingly turning to equities in preference to bonds.

● EMAP: The Fast Midland Allied Press has confirmed the acquisition of the entire issued share capital of Choice publications (a rivate company and its subsidiary.
Retirement Choice Magazine
Company and the Over Fifty Club,
with effect from December 21, 1983.
The consideration is £1.071,734.

£700,000

to acquire a significant interest in the National Guardian Corporation which is based in Stamford, Connecticut, USA, Completion is expected to take place by the end of

MYSON GROUP: Results for 1985. A capital reorganization will be put to shareholders in May to enable the payment of dividends to chable the payment of dividends to be renewed in due course. Figs in 6000. Turnover 51,937 (52,254). Trading profit 4,210 (3,467). Interest 1,173 (2,159). Pretax profit 3,037 (1,308).

N M W COMPUTERS: Results for 1083. Div 2 for pay Africa 25

for 1983: Div 3.5p pay May 25 (making 6p (4p)). Turnover £5.642m (£2.933m). Trading profit £1.353m (£673,215). Interest recible £193.376 (£128.258). Pretax profit £1.546m (801.473).

• WHITTINGTON INTL: Div 0.5p for 1983. On increased cap (0.075p on old cap), Figures in £000. Turnover 2.371 (392), Gross profit 1.505 (376), OP expenses 394 (18), Interest pay 371 (83), Pretax profit 540 (276) Tax 39 (83). Extraord dbt nil (63).

of GRAMPIAN HLDGS: Final 3p making 4.5p (same) for 1983, Figs in £000. Turnover 45.584 (58.071). Trading profit 1.992 (865). Pretay profit 1.453 (425). After central costs 539 (440). Tax 225 (227). Leaving 1228 (198 before minorities 5). Extraord dbt 390 (4913).

• PRESSAC HOLDINGS: Six

months to Jan 1, 1984. Interim dividend 0.7p (0.35p). Figures in £000. Turnover 9.621 (5.806). £000. Turnover 9.621 (5.806). Pretax profit 1.002 (212). Tax 393 (64). Profit attributed 650 (129). Group results are in line with

● W A TYZACK: Interim dividend 0.5p (nil) for half yer to

Sales 2947 (2.231). Pretax profit 110 (loss 140). Tax nil (nil). Extraordinary debit nil (115). Earnings per share 2.2p (loss of 2.82p).

● RICARDO CONSULTING ENGINEERS: Int 0.875p adj for capin (same). Pay April 13, revenue six months to December 31, 1983, Figs £000 – 5,058 (4,935). Pretax profit 552 (837) incl interest 66 (83), Tax 203. Tax 203 (299).

● CAPE INDUSTRIES: Div 3.90 making 5.6p (5.6p) for 1983. Figs in £000. Turnover 214.054 (219.60i) including discontinued businessess 1,326 (12,166). Op profit 8,778 (7.731) being continuing businesses 9.178 (9.212) and discontinued businesses loss 400 (loss 1481).

businesses loss 400 (loss-1401).

• EQUITY LAW LIFE ASSCE

CO: Div 17.5p making 22.5p

(18.5p) for 1983.At the annual meeting of the board will propose that the present 5p share should be subdivided into five 1p shares. If this proposal is accepted. this proposal is accepted me recommended final div will be 3.5p

per new 1p share... DUFAY BITUMASTIC: Division making 2.6p (2:16p-adj) for 1983. Figs in £000. Sales 15.339 (13.371) Trading profit 1.084 (1.102) Interest 184-(1.32). Pretax profit 568 (709) Tax 239 (134).

Profit 505 (709) fax 239 (134).

■ HEYWOOD WILLIAMS: Directors D Scholes and M R Broadhead have sold 120,000 and 10,000 ordinary shares respectively.

■ CANNOCK Heatons has acquired 620,130 ordinary shares and now holds 620,130 shares (15.27%).

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Liverpool likely to recover their direction at **Maine Road**

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

injury, nor Harper, who re-

placed him and scored Ever-

tons's equalizer, nor King are

Liverpool, whose passion will

be evident from the start at

Maine Road, will again be at full strength. Souness, so im-

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some and Rush, after realigning

his sights, should be more

accurate,
The holders have already

maintained two records. In each of their last three years they

have needed to go at least into extra time to claim the trophy

and in each of their six ties in

the margin between the two

neighbours is as narrow as their

Since New Year's Eve, their

respective form has been re-

markably similar. Everton, with

10 victories and two defeats,

have collected the equivalent of

Rotherham United, will rejoin the

board and has promised a cash injection of £60,000. Another

£250,000 is expected to be raised in

bank loans.
In addition £40,000 came from

last week's sale of Paul Futcher and Calvin Plummer to Barnsley. With the £24,000 frozen in the bank

account the club's coffers are swelled to £374,000, more than

chought to satisfy the Revenue and VAT, together owed more than £200,000, and Derby City Council, who are demanding £58,286 in rent

The Derby directors today meet

The Derby directors today meet representatives of two banks to tie up the £250,000 loan, and tomorrow the directors. Mr Maxwell and Derbyshire County Council get together for more financial negotiations. It is hoped that this weeks meetings will produce additional

sums to meet the clubs other debts—it is more than £1.4m in the red. Mr Maxwell says he is no longer interested in joining the Derby Board.

Glenn Hoddle will visit a specialist on Friday to see if his fortnight's American holiday has cured his nagging Achilles tendon injury. The Spurs manager, Keith

Burkinshaw, said yesterday: "Glenn has been enjoying the sunshine. He will see a specialist the day after he

rcturns and we will take it from there."

last two results would suggest,

vicums.

Derby survival package

must be ready by Monday

Ayresome crisis talks

naturally left-footed.

The winds of fortune have disappointed that Everton were already turned on Merseyside not awarded a penalty after and the Vane is swinging in the Hansen had blatantly handled opposite direction. Since knocking Dalglish and Liverpool temperarily off course at the beginning of the year, they have filled Everton's sails and blown them all the way to the final of one cup competition and to the

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semi-linals of the other. Everton were still being pursued by a still breeze during the first half of the Milk Cup tinal at Wembley on Sunday. Their rivals were strangely becalmed and, as they returned to their dressing room at the interval, they walked directly into the fury of their manager, Joe Fagan. He described his words as "industrial language."

His message was effective. Once all blue, the complexion of the game became gradually redder as Liverpool, shaken out of their apathy, bestirred them-selves and Everton, without Sheeds for the last 45 minutes, be more influential, Dalglish, as well as for tonight's replay, continuing to regain his sharpalso lost their momentum. We seemed to have our

Tonight's teams LIVERPOOL: B Grobbelsor; P Neal, A Kornnedy. M Lawrenson, R Whelan, A Hansen, K Dalglish, S Lee, I Rush, C Johnston, G Souriess. Substitute: M

Robinson,
EVERTON (from): N Southall; G
Sfevens, J Bailey, K Ratcillile, D
Mountlield, P Reid, A Irvine, A Heath, K
Sharp, K Richardson, A Harper, A King,
T Steven.
Referee: A Robinson (Portsmouth).

European Cup quarter-final against Benfica on our minds", Fagan said. "The tie in Portugal was like draughts and we tried to play the same way at Wembley and nearly paid the prive. English football is all about pride and passion and we did not show any in the first

Rush admitted that "We were dead in the head, our brains were not working and we just didn't seem to settle down." lie also conceded that when they did, he failed to convert two relatively simple oppor- 40 league points from 22 tunities. Fagan, who thought fixtures. Liverpool, with 11 that Liverpool were lucky not to victories and three defeats, have be three down by half-time, was merely religized that it finished as a goalless draw.

Howard Kendall, justifiably period and conceded 15.

Derby County have been given

another chance to survive after a

new Robert Maxwell rescue formula won the approval of the Inland

Revenue, who were seeking the club's closure over an unpaid tax

bill of £132,000.
The Revenue yesterday afternoon

agreed to an adjournment of the widing-up petition in the High

ourt to next Monday, April 2. Bu

Mr Kevin Garnett, their counsel, and the judge. Mr Justice Mervyn Davies, made it clear that this is the

club's last chance.

The new survival attempt is an

equation involving the banks, a new director. Derby City Council, Derbyshite County Council and two

Under the new scheme Robert Maxwell will buy the Baseball Ground for £300,000 from the Natomal: Westminster Bank, who

have also agreed to waive a further

(450,000 owed by the club. Mike

McCiarry, a former director, who recently quit as chairman of

Middlesbrough's crisis talks

continued vesterday in a desperate bid to avoid closure. The second

division club need to raise £200,000

immediately to meet the demands of

creditors. The position of Malcolm Allison, the manager, remains in the

balance, fle is enhappy over the

of losing players to ease

of the club's formner players.



Mark one: Hateley celebrates a goal against France.

Hateley aims ahead and two feet beyond his father

this season's competition they have required at least two games to dispose of their Famous fathers cast long shadows and their sons rarely feel the warmth of great success. Mark Rush aims to continue another sequence. He has scored in each round so far against Brentford, Fulham, Brimingham City, Sheffield Wednesday and Walsall. The everyone but never England.

Hateley mark two was born in November 1961, the son of a travelling footballer, though at that time Tony Hateley was still with his one goal that is hanging on the tip of his toecaps (or, if recent efforts are any guide, his forchead) may be enough since first clab, Notts County, where he first case, Notis County, where as first gained a reputation as a deadly finisher with his head. Chelsea paid 490,000 for aerial power not seen since the days of Lofthouse. Other clubs, such as Liverpool, continued to pay around the six-figure mark until opposing defenders discovered a way of countering the threat and a deteriorating knee injury brought

him down to earth several moves later at Oldham.

Mark Hateley, his hair black and Mark Hateley, his hair black and sleek as a gypsy's, has perhaps, been toughened and made more adaptable by those early nomadic days, but his schooling inevitably suffered. Consequently, his views on the importance of education do not bear publicizing. He is the type who would have benefitted greatly from Bobby Robson's school of excellence at Lilleshall.

At 6ft lip and 11er 77h ha

At 6ft lin and 11st 7th, he is sugnty teamer than his father, but otherwise straight off the old block. Like dath, he also first gained prominence with his head but by his father's own admission "is a better now has two good feet. He does not, however, have the same yearning for travel, unless it is with England. He spent five years with Coventry City, rather longer than his father did.

Mark wishes that his father was still involved with football. Dad feels that he has had his fill of it, Mark says. "I think he'd make a good

Tony is in his early forties and father and son have a close relationship. "He's one of my best in Liverpool and consequently sees very little of his famous son down at Portsmouth. In fact, in common with Bobby Robson, he has never watched Mark gain any of his six under-21 caps. That was particu-larly apsetting a mouth ago, in the first leg of the European champion abip querter-finals, when England beat France 6 - 1 at Hillsborough and Hateley scored four, three with his feet and the best, inevitably, with his head. He has been so prolific of late (nine goals in seven games) that it prompted Dave Sexton to remark at Hillsborough: "He's got six aow and it's only Tuesday."

Hateley feels be is a better player

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Hateley feels he is a better player at Portsmouth, where Bobby Campbell "emcourages natural ability rather than stuffing tactics down your throat". He is full of admiration, though, for Sexton, the under-21 manager, who was also his manager at Coventry until relieved of his duties. "It helped make up my mind about leaving," he said. "He's an absolute gentleman and deserves his success with the under-21s. He's nextioness with the under-21s. He's nextioness about the come though passionate about the game, though he gets a bit frustrated sometimes trying to put his knowledge over."

Today in Rouen, for the second leg of the under-21 tie, Hateley will be performing in frost of Robson for the first time. He knows he must follow polymerssively his first-leg performance if he aspires to that higher level presided over by Robson. He is confident beyond his years. Married at 18, and with two children to support, he is intent on doing the best for my family." There are no problems yet, though, about long shadows of a famous father. He has two girls.

Clive White

Stein waits on the bench

From Clive White, Rouen

Bobby Robson, the England manager, will be looking for triumphant individual performances as much as victory when the England under-21 team play the second leg of their European championship quarter-final with France here today. England have a 6-1 lead from the first leg, but Robson wants them to start the match as though it were goalless.

Walsh, who suffered a partial failure, in the senior game in Paris. in the eyes of some, goes back to school, as it were, but without his scoring partner, Stein, His Luton team-mate has a sore throat but will be among the substitutes.

Hodge, who had such a fine game in the first leg, twisted his ankle during the last seconds of training

yesterday. If it does not respond to treatment, Mabbutt will stop in without any discernible loss to the team. However, Mabbutt has not trained or played, because of flu, since last Wednesday.

Wallace has been preferred again to Chamberlain, which will be a disappointment to those thrilled by this leggy thoroughbred.

ENGLAND: G Bellay (Manchester Unitad), M Stecland (Sherifald Wedneedey), N Plotering, (Sunderland), D Wetson (Norwich City), T Caton (Arsenel), N Calisghan (Watford), P Bracewell (Sunderland), S Hodge (Mottingham Forest) or G Masbutt (Tottamham Hotspur), D Walause (Southerspron), M Hateley (Portsprontin), P Walause (Southerspron), M Hateley (Portsprontin), P Walause (Southerspron), S Stein (Luton Town), Studen (Luton Town), Sunderland (Town), Studen (Luton Town), Sunderland (Stoke City), G Stevens (Tottenham Hotspur).

Bingham's choice is a surprise to no-one

Billy Binsham reached into his shallow pool of possibilities yesterday and pulled out his usual haul of names. There are only 17 and none ony and panied out his usual and of names. There are only 17 and none of those he has selected to prepare for Northern Ireland's final British championship the against England, at Wembley next Wednesday, will cause the faintest ripple of surprise. Nino of them played in the corresponding fixure last year. The two absentees are Chris Nichell, now at the dusk of his career as Grimsby Town's player-coach, and Mullan, who was substituted anyway during the goalless draw. Yet not all of those who remain can be certain of retaining their position.

Stewart is not even sure of his fitness. If he fails to prove it, Bingham may yet invite Penney, a 20-year-old winger, to join the squad. Neal and Kennedy, the Liverpoel and England full backs, will remember his heels if not his face. They saw too much of them during their FA Cup defeat by Brighton in January.

during their FA Cup defeat by Brighton in January. The four familiar figures who did not appear against England at Windsor Park but are challenging for places this time are Whiteside, John O'Neill, McCreery and Cochrane. The three less familiar figures who have fallen off Bingham's current list of preferences are Hill of Arsenal and the two Ireland-based players. Cleary

Bingham's current list of preferences are Hill of Arsenal and the two Ireland-based players, Cleary and Docherty.

The inclusion of the Rangers pair, Jimmy Nicholl and McClelland means that they will be excluded from Mondays premier league game against Celtic, their victims in last Saturday's Scottish League Cup final. But it is in the English League at the gap in ability between the two nations is most noticeable.

Bingham is able to call on only four prepresentatives from clubs in the top half of the first division and Whiteside alone is closely involved in the championship race. His counterpart. Bobby Robson, has chosen 17, five from Liverpool and Manchester United, as well as Francis from the Italian first division. Jennings, who is not time his second century of appearances for Ireland may find four of his Arsenal colleagues bearing down on him. Although the Irish have beaten England only twice since 1927, they will recall with relish that both of their victories, in 1957 and 1972, took place at Wembley. took place at Wembley.

SOLIAD: P. Jennings (Arpeiat), J. Platt. (Ballymena), J. Nichell (Rangert), M. Doneghy (Luton), P. Haintey (Leticaster), M. Worthington (Sheffeld Wed), J. C'hiell (Léticaster), McCatland (Bilingera), M. C'Riell (McCatland (Bilingera), M. C'Riell (McCatland (Bilingera), M. C'Riell (McCatland (Bilingera), M. C'Riell (McCatland (Remaille)), M. Whitelede (Manchester Utd), I. Shewart (CPR), T. Cockrank (Stiffnehaut

Villa admit guilt over advertising

Aston Villa were severely reprimanded yesterday at a Football League enquiry in Solihuli into a breach of the shirt advertising regulations during the BBCs live

on January 20.

The name of their sponsors, the Japanese company MITA, was said to have exceeded the permitted size. to have exceeded the permitted size. The League commission accepted Villa's guitty plea and ordered them to pay the full cost of the hearing. Robert Hopkins, the Birmingham City midfield player, is to appear before an FA disciplinary hearing next Monday. The first player to collect 41 points from bookings this season. Hopkins, aged 22 reached that total with his twelfth caution in the home match against Luton minutes off Harper's centre.

But the Scots fought back strongly
in the second half after Stanfield,
their best forward, converted a
pensity stroke. This was not the
only spot of trouble for Cambridge.

In the morning they went down to
Wales when Heskins scored, but
they scored five times in the second

the home match against Luton
Town last week.
Hopkins has already been
suspended for five games for
reaching 21 and 31 points.

UEFA'S threat Bern (AP) - in a strongly-worded statement issued after a meeting of

its committee on referees, the European football federation (UEFA) said it will not hesitate to those slanderous elements, whose only intention is to bring UEFA, its members and competitions into

Tigers v Blades

The draw for the semi-finals of the Associate Members Cup is: NORTHERN SECTION: Hull v Shemid Und Transpare v Burnley.
SOUTHERN SECTION: Bournemouth or Southern v Southern or Bristol Rovers; Physical or Bulleton. Majches to be played weak beginning April

BOXING

Smith admits the weakness but defends record

The England manager. Alan Smith, arrived home yesterday with his Test side, refusing to concede that the troubled tour to New

disaster.

"It was not all gloom" Mr Smith said. "We lost two series and had one or two bad days, but it was not disastrous. We lost in Christchurch to New Zealand because we bowled badly an the first day and found it hard to come back into that series—and we lost only narrowly to Pakistan in the opening Test in Karachi." But Mr Smith admitted that the present England side "could that the present England side "could Karachi." But Mr Smith admitted that the present England side "could do with being a bit stronger."

Mr Smith said: "We have lost away for the last four tours. Apart from West Indies, everbody, including Australia, India, Pakistan and New Zealand, is winning at home and lesing away. It's getting a bit like football, where home advantage is crucial, whereas in past years it did not make all that much difference.

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"There were some plus points from the tour, especially in the bowling, Neil Foster went out as a raw young fast bowler and benefitted greatly from the experience, while Nick Cook, after having to bowl long spells in the Tests, is now a better bowler than he was three months ago."

England's acting captain, Gower, admitted that drug-taking allegations had an unsettling effect on the players in Pakistan.

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The bearded Gower, who scored two centuries in the Pakistan series, and at Heathrow Airport: "The lads said at Heathrow Airport: "The lads were a bit upset by some of the things which were said about them off the field. But they picked themselves up and battled over the last weeks of the tour."

The Test and County Cricket Board will shortly begin their investigations into the affair, but the

Dilley out for season

The England and Kent fast bowler Graham Dilley will miss the 1984 season. This was revealed after Dilley underwent an operation on. his neck in a London hospital

Dilley and for us. Apparently they



CRICKET: ENGLAND PARTY RETURN

Bob Willis (above) will not be well enough to attend this week's TCCB inquiry into the conduct of England's players in New Zealand. However, it is now likely that Willia's illness is a viral infection and not hepatitis as was first feared.

secretary. Donald Carr, warned that it may be some time before conclusions are reached.

Mr Carr said: "We will not be regarding it as a disciplinary inquiry, but a fact-finding exercise in the first instance. We will be seeing all interested parties as soon as possible, but it may take some

"The manager has to complete his report, and Bob Willis may not be well enough to take part just yet. When all the facts are available, they will be put throuth the usual heard washings appropriate with the board machinery, possibly with the executive committee meeting, which is scheduled for April 12. But we must be very careful on our public utterances because legal

yesterday.

Following specialist advice and X-rays when he returned home a week early from Pakistan, complaining of numbness in his right side and leg, Dilley was advised to have the operation.

Bright Luckhurst, the Kent manager, said yesterday "The news is a tremendous blow both for Dilley and for us. Apparently they

had to remove a disc from the base of the neck and do a bone graft from his hip to replace the disc which was removed. It's going to take a long time to mend and we have got to accept now that he will not play this mmer." Leicestershire have signed lan

Carnichael, a 22 year-old left-arm, fast medium bowler who was voted "most outstanding newcomer" in Sheffield Shield cricket this winter. after taking 41 wickets and helping South Australia win the Macdonald Cup. He will spend until July 18 with Essex, on an Esso scholarship,

N Zealand well placed to end the long wait

New Zealand enter the fourth day of the third Test against Sri Lanka in Colombo today with a good chance of winning their first overseas series for 14 years. One up in the three-Test series, the New Zealanders have a 66-run first innings lead and five wickets still standing. It would take a dramatic turn of fortunes to deny them at least a draw.

The touring captain, Geoff Howarth, says that his aim is to crown the recent home series victory over England with a win overseas, a feat they last performed in 1970, when Graham Dowling led his side to a 1-0 success over Paklstan.

The New Zealanders resume after yesterday's rest day on 322 for five. Reid (156) and Coney (26) have already put on 69 for the sixth wicket. With the pitch playing well, the Sri Lankans could spend the best part of another day in the field, if they do not make an early breakthrough.

Australians set Barbados difficult target

Barbados - Set 387 runs to win in 280 minutes plus 20 overs, Barbados were 41 for one at lunch on the final day of their four-day match against the Australians here vesterday. The Australians declared their second innings at 356 for four.

AliSTRALIAMS: First humage: 332 for 6 dec (G M Ritchie 99, G M Wood 76; D A Cumberbetch 3 for 74, R O Estevick 3 for 89, Second intringe: G M Wood c Woord in Small 3 S B Small c Best b Cumberbetch 86 D M Jone c Humb b Cumberbetch 47 K J Hughes c and b Estwick 65 D W Hookes not out 103 W B Philips not out 20

G M Ritchia, G R J Matthews, R D Woolley, C G Reckemenn and J M Magyire did not but.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-90, 3-167,

FALL OF WICKET: 1-16.

HOCKEY

UAU beat the champions to book their semi-final

By Sydney Friskin

Universities Athletic Union half through Makin, three (two (UAU) were the only team certain of a place in the semi-final round of the British Universities Sports penalty strokes). Mitchell, from a short corner, and Hill. the British Universities Sports
Federation tournament by the end
of the first day's play at Cambridge
yesterday. They was both their
Although Cambridge. Scotland, short of match practice were unlucky to lose 2-0 to Northern Ireland, for whom Cook scored twice. Scotland played better winners in 1982, seem most likely to several short corners towards the qualify, they need ateast a draw with Northern Ireland today to make end, with Adams hitting a post. Northern Ireland lost 2-9 to Wales. Haskins and Palmer scoring.
The UAU best London 2-1. Last Cambridge also finished the day

Carsbridge also haushed the day with four points after beating Scotland 2-1 in the afternoon, having earlier defeated Wales 5-1 in Group B. Cambridge looked as if they would overtuh Scotland as Hill scored in the first 30 seconds following up a hit by Rush, and Contes hit a second goal after 11 minutes off Harper's centre.

But the Scotla fragely back strongly year's champions, Oxford (not Cambridge, as reported yesterday) were next to fall, as goals by Skinner and Allcock (2) gave UAU a 3-0 win.

London were involved in a 2-2 draw with Trinity College Dublin.

Canning gave Dublin a 2-0 lead in the first half, but London saved the

match through goals by Neil Murray from a short corner and Mark

SESULTS: Group A; Trinky College, Dublin 0, Oxford 3; London 1, UAU 2: Trinky College, Dublin 2, London 9; Oxford 0, UAU 3; Group B: Cambridge 5, Wales 1; Scotland 0, Northern Ireland 2; Cambridge 2; Socilend 1; Waless 2; Northern Ireland 0.

RUGBY UNION: The United Nations committee on aparticid has asked the British government, the Rugby Football Union and the the Righy Poologic Union and the Commonwealth Games Council to stop an England XV from touring South Africa in May and June. The RFU's decision will be announced

on Friday.

Joseph Garba, the chief delegate of Nigeria and chairman of the committee, commended those in Britain who are trying to stop the tour. "The special committee has the matter under review and will consider further action if the English

Rughy Footbrall Union decides to proceed with the tour," he said. TENINIS: Rain stopped play in the SW Farmer women's tournament at Queen's Club yesterday. Earlier, Sally Reeves, the second seed, best ber younger sister, Jennifer, 6-1, 6-3.

● Stefan Edberg, who defeated fellow Swede and world aumber four Mats Wilander last Sunday in the final of the Milan Grand Prix tournament, signed a five-year contract with West German sports equipment company Adidas yester-day for an undisclosed amount. GOLF

First round is under threat again

From Mitchell Platts Ponte Vedra, Florida ---

"Hell for the players, heaven for the fans" is a fitting descritption of the Tournament Players' Club at Sawgrass. Yesterday it was hell for all concerned. A vicious thunder-storm hovered over north-eastern Florida and spoiled the curtain-rais-

ing pro-am.
Such was the deluge that more water than gress could be seen along the 6.837 yards which make up what is widely considered to be th toughest course on the PGA tour. It is here, weather permitting, that Hal Sutton will start his defence of the Tournament Players' championship tomorrow. A year ago the first round was postponed for 24 hours because of heavy rain.

The players will notice numerous the puzyets win notice numerous changes on the course, which was the subject of immense criticism before three greens were completely rebuilt and six others remodelled. Craig Stadler, America's number one money winner in 1982, says: "Originally the greens were unputable. Now they're a heck of a lot better."

But while the brutal severity of the greens has been eased, the course is harsber. The driving areas at many othe holes have been narrowed and the wasteland, which

borders most of the fairways, has had lovegrass and pot bunkers added.

Speaking as one who has conquered the course, Sutton says: "Some people claim it is unfair. But I like it because it's a ball-hitters course. And that is my strength. But the key to winning here is to remain patient. You cannot hope to succeed by being aggregated." by being aggressive."

HOCKEY

REBENTATIVE MATCHES: RAF Systime 1; RAF U-21 G, Lincolnehira

LONDON LEAGUES Premier Divisions Tube NW 3, Quilition 2.
BERCHIRE CUP: Final: Reading 2, Malderhead 1.
BUCIS. COURTY DAY (Slough HC): Bucis. Cup-Final: Slough & Richings Park 0. Other matches: Bucis. L-19 3, Bucis; U-21 1; Slough President's XI 3. Bucis. President's XI 2.
BEDOLESEX CUP: Final: Southquie 4, Hourston 2.
SURREY CUP: Semi-Rusi: Windiedon 0, Bischmond!

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FOOTBALL
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Bulgers 5, Baly B 6; Hungary 6, Belgium 2. CYCLING

FOR THE RECORD RUGBY UNION

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3, Frames 6; Sweden 6, Canada 11, Idaw three
Canada 8, Denotarit 2; France 6, Switzerland 4;
Sweden 7, Germany 9; Italy 1, Scotland 7;
Norway 8, US 5, statistings: Canada, Scotland,
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Sweden, Norway, Switzerland, US, nt.

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SNOW REPORTS

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RUGBY UNION Schools enthusiasm dampened

seven-a-side tournament, sponsored Tandem Computers, made a reluctant start yesterday as 85 schools dodged one another on nine pitches alongside the Kingston by-

pass during the first five rounds of the open tournament.

The rain came in on cue and it was cold enough to make conditions Round robin CRCUP A: Bishop Wand 4, St Marys and St Noten 14, Parquit 20, Number 9, 8 GROUP B: Plymouth 28, St George's Harpendon 0 Ayle Soury 12, Charlester 10, CROUP C: Bevorley 18, Whitehaven 12; Rydal 75 Hadssone 0 GROUP D: King's Worcoster 14, Chisiehurst and Sidoup D; Notungham 20, Magnus 0, 15 Tondon Oratory

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largenden 6. Plymouth 20. Chichester 4.
ROUP C. Virtiehaven 4. St. Edmunds 0. Rydal 2 Beverley 12. INCUP D: Ampletenth 18, Kings Wordsster 8; lottingham 24, Chistehurst and Skicup 8.

thoroughly impleasant. What it is take on the Park's colts the positions but lacked players of going to be like playing on the Park's pitch tomorrow, when the group winners vie for a place in the quarter-finals is not difficult to predict. Park had to cancel their match with Coventry here last Saturday, yet the pitch was thought

GROUP E: Trust or, Trust or, Trust or, Truston Milwart 18, St Otave 22, Ashville 0; Tasker Milwart 18, St Otave 3 10; St Mary's Lverpool 6, Solinut 4. GROUP H: Emanaged 18, Jedd 8; Grotton 12, Ethesmare 12. 10. GROUP J. De La Selle 18, Sevenoeks 12: Wrekin 12, Hampton 6. GROUP K. John Fisher 8, King Henry VIII Covenny 8: West Park 34, Archibishop Coventry 8: West Park 34, Archestop Holgates 0. GRÖUP L: Mound St Marys 24, Austin Friars 6; St Thomas Picton 10, Cosfely 4, GROUP M: Stoneyfurst 16, Heberdasher Aska: (Hauchem) for Millette 26, Hymera 0. GROUP N: Druham 18, Merchant Taylors 10; RGS Guiddiord 16, Gurenarysbury 8, GROUP O: Stratization 10, St Benedicta 10; Worwick 12, Wirral GS 10. St Benedicta 10; GROUP P: Lityliner Upper 8, Pertermouth 4; St Edwards Liverpool 20, Landovary 10, GROUP C: Menchester 18, William Elba 8; Tiffin 18, Newcastle-under-Lyme 14.

Third round
GROUP 'A' Bishop Wand 22, Queen Elizabeth
Samet C: Nunthorpe 16, St Mary's and St
Joseph 5
GROUP '8': Primouth 28, Normanion 4;
Aviesbury 16, St George's Herpanden 0
GROUP 'C': Bernarloy 14, St Editum 5
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GROUP 'D': Amplishorth 36, Chisinhurst and
Sidoup Ct Kings Worcester 6, Magnus 4
GROUP 'E': London Ormory 16, Truro 0;
Hyperhorithme 14, Ethiem 12
GROUP 'E': Belmont Abbay 40, Windson 0; St
Joseph's Academy 20, Ashville 4
GROUP 'C': Date of York 10, Selbuil 8;
Gampion 18, St Olave's 6

programme close at hand.
Yesterday, as a tractor trundled up and down spiking the ground to a depth of 18 inches, the pitch resembled a lake. The heavy going suited some of the better schools who were well equipped in most

Brookpurne 0. GROUP to Brivenhead 20, King Edward VI GROUP to Brivenhead 20, King Edward VI Hunseton C, City of London Freeman 14, Cardinal Waseman S. GROUP to De La Salar 10, Wrakin S, Bassaleg 68. Severnoeks 10. SROUP K: King Henry VRI Coventry 24, Archbishop Heligates (t. John Fisher 14, Cotton College (). GROUP L: Cowley 20, Mount St Marys 18; Wimbledon 12, Austin Friers 4. PROUP N. Gurnerabury 18, Hareford CS 18; Cartillo Pe diginaracity in Paramata Co in.

CARCIUP C: Warwick, 14. Strainslen 8: Royal
Belfast Academy 20, St Benedicts 8.

CROUD P: St Edwards, Liverpool 28, Latymer,
Upper 0: Portsmouth 18, Poynton 0.

CROUP C: Manchester 12. Nevosatile under
Lyme 0; Sir Willem Borlese 20, William Ellis 0.

FOLETH FOUND.
GROUP & Relogies 20, Queen Elizabeth 0; Numbrope 18, Bishop Wand 0.
GROUP B: Normanion 20, Chichester 8; Aviesbury 4 Pyrmouth 0.
GROUP C: Rydia 32, St Edmunds 6; Bevertey 14, Medistore 10.
GROUP D: Ampliorith 18, Nottingham 8; Magnus 18, Chis and Sidoup 6.
GROUP B: Thure 34, Varuism 6; London Orstory 42, Ethan 8.
GROUP E: Theimorit Abbey 14, Taster Mineral 0; St Joseph's Academy 25, Wrodor 4.
GROUP G: St Marry's Liverpool 18, Duke of York 0; Campion 28, Sollbut 0.
GROUP R: Emanuel 18, Crofton 4; Judi 32, Electure 0. Electron D.

GROUP L: CWMTAWE 22, King Edward VI 0;
Birkenhead 16, C of L Freeman D.

following day. On the face of it, an exceptional pace who thrive on firm extonishing decision with so hectic a going. Millfield, the holders, have established themselves as favour-ites, running up 62 points to six in three matches before Haberdashers' Aske's scratched in the final match in Group M.

Millfield were unbeaten in the 15a-side game this season

GROUP K: West Park 30, King Harry VIII 0; Cotton College 22, Arch Holgetts 0. GROUP L: St. Peton 15, Mt St. Mary's 12; Cowlwy 25, Wimbadon 0. GROUP Mt. Mittletd 14, Stonisyhurst 6; Hymerin 12, Kings Mecclestifeld 6. GROUP Mt. RGS. Guildion 8, Hereford 8; Merchert Teston 9: Currenthurs GROUP R: 1435 CAMBRITO 8, Hereson 6; Merchart Taylora 9; Garnarastrys 6; GROUP D: Wirnel 28, Strathelen 12; Royal Belfast 8, Warwick 4. GROUP P: Landowery 16, Latymar Upper 8; SI Edward's Liverpool 14, Poynton 6. GROUP C: Tiffs 10, Menchester 10; Sir W Borlase 12, Newcastle Under Lysne 0.

Rydal 22, Whitehaven 12, Graup winners: Rydal GROUP Kt. King Herry VIII 24, Cotton College D: West Park 18, John Fisher 0, group winnes: West Park GROUP 11: Wimbledon 4, Mr. St. Mary's 0: Austin Friers 6, St. T. Picton 6, group winners: Auser Frans B, St. 1 Pecon B, group winners Cowley CROUP NT: King Maccledfield 24, Bioneyhurst C, Milliad W.O. Hab asks Hatchern SCY; group winner Milliad CROUP NT: Hereford CS 16, Merchant Taylors B; RGS Guidlord 28, Durhem B, group winners RGS Guidlord RESE GUIZENSTE
GROUP O: Royal Belfast 19, Strathellen 6;
Wirrel 8, St Benedicts 3. Group Winners: Royal
Belfast.
GROUP P: Poymon 16, Listymer Upper 0;
Portamouth 30, Llandovery D. Group Winner: St
Edward's Livetpool.
GROUP D: Manchester 4, Str W Borlese 0; Winn
Ellis 8, Tittin 4, Group winner: Manchester.

Chance to take a look at Jones Seven months on from the memorable effort in Las Vegas which almost won him the world welterweight title, Colin Jones makes his comeback in homely Aberavon tonight Jones boxes for a fraction of the money he earned in

America but it is necessary to show the boxing world that he is still alive and capable, for another world title fight may be waiting around the corner.
So he meets Allen Brashwell, of So he meets Allen Brashwell, or New York, in a 10-rounder designed to ease him back on to the scene. It is a modest looking event, but there is no denying its importance. If Jones fails to win impressively a lot of well laid, and well paid, plans will fall to micros.

of well laid, and well paid, plans will fall to pieces.
Following the second McCrory bout, Jones was not even certain he would box again. After twice failing to win the world title he was tired and disappointed. But his manager, Eddie Thomas, reports that Jones seems to have got all his old zest bard. back.
This could be a rich final year for
Jones, so the Welsh should take the

opportunity of having a close look at their hero for it may be the last chance they will get. Thomas says that he has had offers from Bernuda, San Francisco, New York ● Larry Holmes, will defend his international Boxing Federation title against the World Boxing

Association champion, Gerrie Coer-zee, of South Africa at Caesars Palace, Las Vegas on June 8.

FOOTBALL

BOCA RATON (AP) - Pains Webber Classics First reund: S Davis (US) bt J-L Clarc (Arg) 6-1, 6-2. Tem Gilfston (US) bt R (Irristrans (Incl.) 6-2, 3-8, 6-2; N Odicor (Nig) bt B Tarriczy (Fing) 7-4, 7-6; S Melater (US) bt E Internity (US) 4-4, 7-6, 6-4; S Glämming (US) bt J V Nooigand Constitute Co. 19. S. W. Parmer weemen's tearmendet third rouse: K. Brasher (Surrey) by W. Compton (Kord) 5-9. S-1; D. Parmer (Cheshylle) by F. Chachrigge (Dorset) 5-1, 5-2; L. Gaeves (Majchyl) by A. Jones 5-4, B-1; J. Pich (Noricol) by A. Brasher (Surrey) 6-1, 5-1; J. Langester (Surrey) by S. Gouley (Lance) 5-3, 5-1; N. Lusty (Majcky) by J. Philips, (Morts) 6-1, 6-2; S. Baeves (Kepri) by J. Phervas (Kerd) 6-1, 5-3.

LACROSSE TROPKY: Chishire 25, 28

Vane. Grittar and Tacroy.

Ashley House, whose odds were

the clerk of the course, says that

the going may be just on the soft side of good, and it may become

more yielding if the present

Mr Payne expects a crowd of around 48,000. "It could be

put off by the announcement

that all the roofed accommo-

the various roofs and there will

everyone will be able to watch

forecast is correct".

Owner ends the silence but keeps Eliogarty backers in dark

Mystery still surrounded the attempts to become the first riding arrangements for Elio-Double. Tommy Carmody will garty at the four-day stage of declarations for the Seagram be out to win his first National sponsored Grand National on last year's runner-up to vesterday. The impressive Corbiere. Greasepaint's right winner of last year's Christie's on song". Weld said. "You always need luck at Aintree. but he's going to take all the Cheltenham has been backed to beating". Hills also had backing for last win an estimated £5m. However, John Hassett, the nineyear's winner Corbiere, Lucky vear-old's trainer, still refuses to discuss his plans. Ladbrokes reported support for

Yesterday the first light was shed on the situation by Caroline Beasley, who rode Eliogarty to victory at the National Hunt Festival in 1983 with only four project teamle. and who also won on this reappearance at Wexford earlier this month. "I still own Eliogarty outright". Miss Beassuperb jumper on his seasonal ley said. "I will not be riding myself, but we are making no decisions until Thursday. There are still one or two matters to be finalised." 10-1 is now the general price on offer against Eliogarty.

John O'Neill was offered the more if we get plenty of sun tount at Cheltenham. The beforehand. People mustn't be mount at Cheltenham. The former champion has, however. heard no more since then. Hassett has stated that he dation has been sold. Safety considers John Francome to be restrictions only allow 4,000 on the best jockey in the world, but the reigning champion is re-maining loyal to Grittar the paddock and stands area where 1982 winner.

"I don't know why Grittar the race on the giant 20ft by 24ft

"I don't know why Grittar ran moderately at Market Rasen", Frank Gilman, Grittar's owner-trainer, said. "Horses don't talk, so he can't tell me. But he's in good shape and an intended runner. Francome will still be his jockey."

Eighty one hopefuls were declared, so a maximum of 41 face possible elimination at the overnight stage before the size of the field can be reduced to the safety limit. Mullacurry, Animahron and Barrysville were the only withdrawals of note.

Greasepaint remains favourite at 8-1 with William Hills and Ladbrokes as Dermot Weld

Tony Murray landed his first winner in his new role of stable tockey to Tom Jones, the Newmarket trainer, on Hafeaf. The

victory came in the Auchans Maiden Stakes at Ayr when Hafeaf.

the 11-8 favourite, swept home by

one and a half lengths from Bounty

It was the first time that Murray had ridden at only 8st 5lb for two years and as he dismounted from the winner he commented: "The

ground out there is twice as bad as

Pagan Sun to outshine elders

51b penalty for his runaway victory slb penalty for his runaway vectory at Doncaster by winning the Springtime Apprentice Handicap at Catterick Bridge this afternoon. Alan Bailey followed up his Saturday double by saddling Wing And A Prayer to finish a creditable second to Vital Boy at Folkestone. Pagan Sun can now give further evidence of the well-being of the Newmarket trainer's team. Irish trainer to land the Spring Newmarket trainer's team.

Backing three-year-olds against older horses in March is not normally regarded as a road to riches. However, not only did Pagan Sun sprint home 10 lengths clear of Sun sprint home 10 lengths clear of Foot Patrol, he also recorded a fast time figure considering that he won without being extended. The front running O.T. Oyston will no doubt attempt to run his rivals ragged around Catterick's sharp left-hand bends, but Pagan Sun should prove too strong in the closing stages of this seven-furious dash. this seven-furlong dash.

to the world's greatest steeple-chase. "We have had some Provided and Dromodan are other Doncaster winners who will also be attempting to strike while the fron is hot. Following his easy victory in the opening race of the season on the Town Moor. PROVIDED is sure to start at odds on in the Toytop Stakes. But Bill O'Gorman's twoyear-old looked razor sharp and

cannot be opposed.

Ridden by Tim Easterby,
DROMODAN landed a long-priced
gamble for his astute stable when
beating Shutler's Fling and Stan's Pride in an amateur rider's event. The style of that victory makes the four-year-old look the pick of the weights in the Yarm Handicap. Sir Lucky and Goosey Gander are fit from hurdling and can be given each

Barry Hills and Steve Cauthen were on the mark with Spanish Place at Doncaster, and now this formidable partnership launch another northern raid with Quisissano and Kolomelskoy Palace, both of whom run in the Whorlton Maiden Stakes. Steve Cauthen will not decide on his choice of mount

until shortly before the race. The one discarded by the American will be partnered by Richare Hills.

The best bet at Huntingdon's jumping fixture should be WOOLLOOWARE in the second division of the Sandy Novices' Hurdle. At Kempton Park in February Toby Bulding's four-year-old beat To-Onero-Mon by half a length in a handicap and though subsequently disqualified for interfering with the



Straight from the horse's mouth: Creag-An-Sgor sweet-talks Charlie Nelson (Photograph: Chris Cole).

Two that went for a song should be names to remember for the classics

Nelson has an eye for a bargain

pound syndicates monopolize the choi-cest-bred thoroughbreds on the international sales circuit. Charlie Nelson, the Ipper Lambourn trainer, has offered ncouragement to ordinary racing folk by recruiting two classic contenders straight from the bargain basement.

Mahognany, the ante-post 1.000 Guineas favourite, and Greag-An-Sgor, a leading contender for the 2,000 Guineas after his 50-1 all-the-way success in the Middle Park Stakes, both cost Nelson 20.000 Irish punts (about £16.000) as yearlings at Goffs Sales. Co Kildare, two

cars ago Firmly convinced of their potential, the 29-year-old trainer persuaded two old family friends. Bill Tulloch. an electronic games manufacturer, and his wife, Georgina, to take a majority share in the two horses, with Nelson retaining a share in each, and another friend, Marcel Klein. a local hotel proprietor, taking an additional quarter in Mahogany.

Speculation

The pair, who race in Mrs Tulloch's cerise. white and black colours made famous by her 1979 Triumph Hurlde winner, Pollardstown, made a tremendous impact during their two-year-old cam-paigns with Mahogany (8st 8lb in the Free Handicap) winning) her only two starts at Newbury and Newmarket - and Creag-An-Sgor. (named after the highest point in Mr Tulloch's grouse shooting estate, 40 miles west of Aberdeen) earning a 9st rating in the Free Handicap with his York and Newmarket victories.

would change hands this winter, but at his Kingsdown stables recently Nelson insisted that although plenty of people have asked if they were for sale no serious offers have been forthcoming "The Arabs were immediately interested in her as soon as Nelson says. "Hundreds of thousands of hopes were firmly on the 1984 classic this is my strongest team so far." he says.

Slightly built and articulate, the Millfield-educated trainer goes on: "Before Newbury Mahogany had only had two serious pieces of work and Joe Mercer, who rode her in her final workout, came up to me afterwards and confided 'This one is a bit out of the ordinary

Nelson was tempted to run her next in the Cheveley Park Stakes at Newmarket, but opted instead for the Rockfel Stakes which she won, again in impressive style. By that popular young stallion, Tap On Wood, out of a Red God mare, Mahogany

is a big rangy filly who has been striding out well on the Mandown gallops recently. Mercer has regularly partnered her in her strong work and he rides her in her first appearance of the new season, the Fred Darling Stakes at Newbury, before tackling the Guineas. Watching his star filly in her box.

screened on the closed-circuit security system to his living room, Nelson remarks: "It is difficult to put a true valuation on the filly at this stage of her career - £1m. £2m. it is anybody's guess. She is only worth what somebody is prepared to pay for her. The crunch will come if she wins the Fred Darling. Then she will be a hot property."

Nelson, who enjoyed a recent working

holiday in Cagnes-sur-Mer. runs Creag-An-Sgor (by Captain James, out of Happy Thought) in the Greenham Stakes at Newbury. "He loves to bowl along in front and does not need much work to get fit. I am hoping Steve Cauthen will be free to ride him." Nelson says.

Nelson, the younger son of Major Peter Nelson, who trained the 1974 Derby winner. Snow Knight, also achieved a Free Handicap rating for Double Schwartz (8st 7lb), who will tackle the big sprints this season, an a very attractive colt, Fan Club (8st 11b), an exceptionally good walker who won at Salisbury.

Nelson has a refreshing and realistic approach to racing, "I don't want to start shooting my mouth off about our chances, because in this game you can so easily be winning the 1000 guineas with another bargain filly. Millingdale Lillie, who cost 3.300 guineas, again at Goffs. "I don't like criticizing jockeys, by Lestor Piggott gave her an awful lot to do that day," Nelson

In 1980 Nelson had his best-ever season with 32 successes, but he slumped to only nine winners the following year, when the stable was struck by a virus. "It was dreadfyul." he painfully recalls. "All two two-year-olds who got it were never any good afterwards and it needed a full twoyear cycle to shake off the effects."

Firm footing

Now Nelson is back on a firm footing again with his boxes comfortably full. Of his 46 horses. 20 of them are two-yearolds, including an imposing Ela-Mana-Mou colt, called Peatfold (in the Tulloch-Nelson ownership). Hilly, an attractive Town Crier filly, owned and bred by Lady Tavistock, and a Double Form colt, Lookie Lookie, should pay his way. Nelson started training seven years ago

when with the help of an understanding bank manager, he purchased Kingsdown from his father. After selling off the main house and gallops, he retained the 50 loose boxes and covered ride and still lives in the converted accommodation Sitting in his living room, once the tack

room where his three whippets hog the settee. Nelson admits that his early days as a trainer were desperately hard. "But we struggled through and now I have the help of my brother. John, as assistant trainer the standard of horses at Kingsdown is higher than ever before. There is little doubt that Charles Nelson

is climbing to the top of the tree as a trainer, but he has a clear ambition - to win a classic. "You can land a group one race, like the Eclipse or the Sussex Stakes." he says, "but it is the classics that have the charisma." Only time will tell whether Nelson's pair of aces will be good enough to scoon the pool

1983: Soiders Web 8-10-12 G McCourt (7-1) J Webber 9 ran.

5-2 St Torbay, 3 Goldenogan, 5 Master Melody, 6 Tarzan, 8 Nint diction, 10 Tom Scoley, 12 others.

4.30 ELTISLEY NOVICE CHASE (Div II: £1,248: 3m

bpdD BARZMI (B) C Williams 5-10-12 M O'Helloran

00-BEAUCOUP D'ARGENT Mrs C Dook 6-10-12 ... A Stringer

002 BLUES BANK B Wise 5-10-12 ... P Scudamore

8000-COMBONTY C A Bed B-112 ... J H Davies 4

p0 DEV K Balley 5-10-12 ... A Webb

010-MANNA BRIDGE D Gandolfo 6-10-12 ... P Barton

101-MERRIE SHOON G Balding 8-10-12 ... P Double

102-MERRIE SHOON G Balding 8-10-12 ... P Double

103-MUNES STYLE J Webber 5-10-12 ... F ROWE

104-MERRIE SHOON G BARTON GENERAL STRINGER

105-MERRIE SHOON G BARTON GENERAL STRINGER

106-MERRIE SHOON G BARTON GENERAL STRINGER

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1983: Superwizz 6-11-2 M Owyer (5-1 jt-lav) J FitzGerald 20 ran.

36 p0p4 TARA'S NEWS R Perkins 7-10-10 R 9-4 Black Magic, 3 Law Venture, 5 Seven Acres, 13-2 Dawn Str. North Lane, 12 Caucasian, Good As Ever, 16 others.

(£2,285: 3m 100yd) (7)

Dick Hinder

3.30 JOHN BULL BEER KIT HANDICAP CHASE 1983: Chance Command 8-10-13 C Grant (9-4 jt-lav) P Calver 4 ran. 11-4 Haybale, 100-30 Skegby, 9-2 Manton Castle, 6 Virgin Soldier, 6 allymilan, 10 Royal Admiral, 14 Chance Command. 4.0 COUNTRY MILL HANDICAP CHASE (£1,842: 2m)

Miss Walliser: marketable

Bill Johnson, as undisciplined two years ago, returned to the sen circuit to triumph in both the World Cup and the Olympics. He took control of the downhill races after Christmas, beginning with a win in Wengen, climaxing with gold in

their dominance next season.

Miss Hess, who has been at the 9-4 Black Magic, 3 Law Vernure, 5 Serven Acres, 13-2 Dawn Street, 10 will be aiming at greater consistency North Lane, 12 Caucasian, Good As Ever, 16 others.

5.0 SANDY NOVICE HURDLE (Div II: £1,012: 2m 4f) got on my nerves for a long time, (22) feeling. That explains the swings in

Michela Figini has just begun what will surely be a glittering career. In the downhill at Sarajevo, at the age of 17, she became the

silver behind Miss Figial in the Olympics, but won the downtill World Cup, can look forward to riches as well as glory. She is said to be ready to switch skis. Any new contract with a ski manufacturer World Cup success and her photogenic looks, "I am happy with

REAL TENNIS Lovell severe on Warburg

by George Wimpey, at Hampton former world champion, after his

at Doneaster on Saturday." Murray, aged 34, was pushing home the 1.018th winner of his career. It was touch and go last season whether he would give up just returned from a six-week satisfied with Craig's explanation.

CATTERICK BRIDGE GORG: soft (7.30 am inspection). Draw: Low numbers best 2.15 TOYTOP STAKES (2-y-o: £983: 5f) (7 runners)

4-6 Provideo, 3 Princess Wendy, 11-2 Boardman's Glory, 10 Dadeka 2.45 FORCETT PARK SELLING STAKES (£1,123: 7f)

7-2 Eastform, 9-2 Hopeful Waters, 5 Pleasurable, 6 Sambola, Palace Ol Love, 8 Gaygig, 12 Holfingreen, 16 others.

Catterick selections By Mandarin

2.15 Provideo. 2.45 Ming Village. 3.15 Dromodan. 3.45 Why Work, 4.15 Fair Madame, 4.45 Kolomelskoy Palace. 5.15 PAGAN SUN (nap). By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.15 Provideo. 2.45 Skiathos. 4.45 Sister Dympna. 5.15 Pagan Sun. Michael Seely's selection: 4.15 Fair Madame (each way). 5.15 Pagan Sun.

3.15 YARM HANDICAP (£1,341: 1m 7f 180yd) (15) 3 Melkleour, 4 Sir Lucky, 9-2 Ardcorry, 11-2 Dromoden, 8 Goosy Gander, Porter, 12 Orange Blossom, 16 others.

Sames, Porter, 12 Crange Bossons, 10 others.

FORM: ARDOONY, 6th at Leicester Oct. (9-7) same position, about 21, behind Hasty Goddess (8-19), when THIRD REALM, (8-6), 5th ORANGE BLOSSOM, (8-8) 4th, next and head in front (Catterick, 1m 4f, 22.015, good Sept 17). CAVALLER SERVEYNTE, well behind in Cesarewhich, (8-7) rad HYDRANGEA, (8-12) 14l back in ligst place when beeting Graphics Solar (8-9) at Naydock, (1m 8f, 21.866, arm, Aug 12). DRIDINGOM, (10-3) 1-1 at Doncaster (1m 2f, 22.636, good to firm, Nav 23). MERKLEGUR, tailed off latest at Haydock, Oct. surfer (7-13) 1-2 at Doncaster (1m 2f, 22.636, good to firm, Sept 11 GOOSEY GAMDER, (11-2) 12l 4th to Path Of Peace (11-10) at Ayr (1m 7f, 21.494, good, Sept 14). PORTER, last of 11 at Redcur Oct. (3-4) had GRANGE BLOSSOM, (8-10) next behind when 11 5th to A Nays (6-7) at

riding. He was planning to switch to training, but was unable to find C A Lighting shot out of the stalls,

but before a furlong Hafeaf took over and, revelling in the mud, held off Bounty Hawk. The winner carries the colours of Hamdan Al-Maktoum. Wendy Carter, aged 19, probably

enjoyed the easiest winner of her career when Prince Concorde trotted up by 15 lengths from Wildrush in the Coodham Handicap. Prince Concorde is trained by her father, Joe, at Malton.

working holiday in Sidney, Australia, where I rode work for Bart Cummings.

her father, Joe, at Malton.

Miss Carter said: "That is the fourth winner of my career. I have delay. The stewards were not

3.45 ORAN MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £629: 5f) (9)

9-4 Northern Parade, 3 Why Work, 4 Lincyem, 6 Boldcott Tiger, 8 Coded Love, 12 Allez, 14 others.

11-4 Mrs Buzby, 7-2 Adjusted, 5 Moneray Boy, 7 Fair Madame, 9 Spolit For Choice, Miss Bella, 12 Meritous, 16 others.

Spolit For Choice. Miss Bella, 12 Meritous, 16 others.
FERRIBY HALL 5-7), unpisced over 87 on final start, earlier beat SPOILT FOR CHOICE (8-10) a head with FAIR MADAME (8-3) a short head away in 3rd (C1138. good. Sept 16). BOLLYAN SOURE (8-12) was beaten 41 in 8th. VALLEY MILLS (8-11) unpisced. Adjusted (8-7), unpiaced over 71 on final start, beat Hazzardous (8-1) 31 first time out in 1983 at Yarmouth (6 seller, 2667, good to 8th., VALLEY (8-13) beat Sparking form (8-7). If in Doncaster seller (7, £1850, good to 8th., Nov 4). If it MICRO out of first 10 on final start. Won first 2 races in 1983 including this event when beat (8-2) incessures (8-7) will (£1251, good to self, Mar 30). ARCHIMSOLD (8-3), out of first 10 on Final Star, beat Marshal Ostnoff (7-13) a head first time out in 1983 at Hamilton (8), £1463, good.

4.45 WHORLTON MAIDEN STAKES (3-y-o fillies:

Perdiand Beauty, 14 others.

PORSH: KOLOMELSKY PALACE (8-8 beatan 214 by Test Of Time at Sandown (71, 22,147, good, Oct 19). PENTLAND BEAUTY (8-11) 9th of 18 to 8 M (9-0) at Lakeastar (8, E828, firm, Nov 1). OUSSISSAMO (8-11) 7th of 8 to Topharus Taverus (8-9) on final start (York, 8f, 25,637, good to solt, Oct 6) earlier 51 3rd (8-8) to Cutting Wind (8-1) at Epsom (71, 81 028 firm.

5.15 SPRINGTIME APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£923:

4 Pagan Sun, 9-2 O 1 Cyston, 11-2 Romantic Knight, Late Hour, 9 attation, 14 Dunham Park, 18 Royal Duty, Kyroota, 20 others.

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Sept 27).

4.15 FAVERDALE HANDICAP (£1,280: 6f) (13)

in the opening Castlehill Apprentice Handicap won by Bossanova Boy. There was a delay to the start when Banoco had to be resaddled after the order to mount was given and it was also found that the girth strap was

The starter then had to fit an

Murray in a hurry for new stable

Tommy Craig received a £100 line from the stewards after saddling Banoco without leathers and irons

RECRUIT IN TIME F Carr 9-0 J Carr 7

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1983: Stevula 8-2 M Birch (5-1) A Smith 11 ran.

There had been speculation that the pair

she passed the winning post at Newbury'

Going:Soft.

Ayr results

2.00 CASTLEHILL APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£1,226: 1m 2f)

Samba (H Henley) 5-8-8 S Keightley (5-4 Fav) State Trooper ch h Status Seeker – Sarah Pipellini (L. J. Blakey Haulage Co Ltd) 7-8-6)

2.30 AUCHANS MAIDEN STAKER (2872: 1m)

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ALSO RAN: 10 Fifty Out Short (8th), 12
Atave, Misha, 25 Ballagarrow Grif, Ellarwood
(5th), C A Lighting, Go Banena's (4th), Woe (3 8
2 J Lowe), 11 ran. 1 1/3, 12, H Thompson Jones
at Newmarket.

Tote win: £2.70. Places: £1.60, £1.00, £2.80, DF: £2.20. CSF: £4.78. 2mm 01.37 sec.

ALSO RAN: 3-1 tay Auld Lang Syne (5th), 7-2 Cool Decision, Temple Bar, 7-1 Tinoco, 12-1 Frassass (4th), Indian (6th).

9 ran. NR: Bossanova Boy. 15l, 1 ½l. E Carter at Malton.

TOTE WIN: £13.90. Places: £3.70, £2.40, £2.60 DF: £57.20. CSF: £78.76. TRICAST: £1.188.34, 3 mins 36.42 sec.

3.30 LAMLASH SELLING STAKES. (2867: 64)

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ALSO RAN: 5-1 it lav Meio Leme, Michael
Rice, 13-2 Rapid Lady (6th), 8-1 Single Hand
(4th), 13-1 Weidron 19th, 14-1 Calcubet (5th),
Sandy Cap. Early Jazz. 18-1 Mehragen, 25-1
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15 ran. NR: Pull Circle 41, 2 1/2 L J S Wilson at

4.00 HILLHOUSE STAKES (2-y-a: £1,235; 5f)

Also Ran: 5 Lumtan (4th) 16 Thurso Prince (5th) 5 ran. NR: Star Video. 8, 3L R Stubbs at

100 CSP: £15.40. 1 min 11,77 secs.

4.30 SMITHSTONE HANDICAP (3-y-c: \$1.809:

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Biargamby br 1 by Blue Cachmers—Thoragamby (Mrs J Hobson) 8-5 — G Gray (10-1) 3
Also Ract. 11-2 tav Return-To-Jeina, 13-2
Rio Branco, 7 Biackpool Belle (8th), 6 Gan On
Lad (5th), 10 African Image, Superb Princess,
12 Lady of Leisura (4th), Major Music. 14
Boom Shanty, Suby's Choice, 13 Ran. 21, 81, D
Chapman at Stiffington.

TOTE: Win: £20.20. Places: £8.60. £5.20, £2.40. DF.Warner or 2nd with any other horse: £2.60. £59: £73.52. Treast: £654.15. 1 mm, 12.33 sec. PLACEPOT: £115.90.

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3.00 COODHAM HANDICAP. (£2,092: 1m 5f)

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HUNTINGDON 2.0 SANDY NOVICE HURDLE (Div 1: £1,005: 2m 4f)

1983: Military Band 5-11-2 R Rowe (9-4) J Gifford 21 ran. 3 Dan Zaki, 4 Wolo, 5 Work Mate, Sentry Duty, 6 Golden Brigadier,

Huntingdon selections

By Mandarin 2.0 Wojo, 2.30 Vale Of Welton, 3.0 Narsinh, 3.30 Manton Casile. 4.0 Goldenogan. 4.30 Black Magic. 5.0. Woolooware. Michael Seely's selection: 3.0 Narsinh.

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14 0200 PRINCE LEONARDO (B) T Jones 4-10-8 ... L Lovejoy 1983: Landing Board 5-11-7 (7-2 lev) P W Harris 15 ran.

100-30 Narsinh, 9-2 Blackboosh, 8 North Light, Armab, 8 Miss Imgo, 8 Charlie Kligour, 10 Mons Lad. 12 Shirley Crapella, 14 others.

Tony Murray: victory on

Sandown results GOOD: Soft 2.30 2m 4/ chase 1. CLASSIFIED (P Croucher, 4-5tev); 2. Ballycross (P Dever 6-1); 3. Run To Me (6 Powel, 14-1), 130 xnn 5-0 Fury Boy (vr.), 7-0 Applejo (411), 33-0 Poiar Express (8th), Sheoklekans Fier, 50-0 Rumelok Prospect (5th), 100-0 Dan Darn, 9 ran, Head, 6t. H Henderson at Lambourn, Tota: \$1.50, £1.00, £1.30, £1.40, DF: £3.90, CSF £5.99. 2.0 (2m 4) cheen) 1. SAFFRON KING (Mr L Fogary, 4-1); 2. Assured (Miss S Lawrence, 8-1); 3. Laker (Mr 5 Sharwood, evens fav). Also rare 7-0 Sub Ross (6th), 11-0 Dancing Right, 16-0 Royal Classic (PU); 20-0 Crawford Cross, 33-0 Abo (4th), 50-0 Tenero (PU); 9 ran 1/4, 16; Miss P Barnes at Woking, Toke 23-90; £1-40, £1.90, £1.90, DF-£19-40, CSF £32-84.

2.30 (2m 4/ chass) 1. GAMBRI (P Soutamore, 2-1); 2. Mossy Moore (J Francone, 5-4 fay; 3. Chummy's Best (A Webber, 14-1); Also ran: 10-0 Co. Member (PU); 12-0 Noon Gun, (8h); Landing Beard (4h); 14-0 Spanish Strask (8h), 7 Ran, 5, 8, D Nicholson at Stow-on-the-Wold, 16te; 22.80; £1.50, £1.50, DF; £2.30. CSF £4.82.

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4.0 (2m chase) 1. GUARRIER (Mr T Thomson Jones, 5-4 fav): 2. De Phanteel (Cart G Prest, 3-1): 3, Shanse Hill (Sgr D Warren, 25-1). Also rart 4 Prine King (D)(D). 11 Rushbury (felt), 16 Ballyculio (p)(In). 25 Right Lady (felt), 50 Four Poster (4th). Swinging Light (5th). 9 ran. NR: Nove Gale. 8t. dist. T A Forsier at Warstage, CSF: 25-24.

4.35 (3m chase) 1, SPECIAL CARGO (W Smith, 7-4 fev); 2, Plumdering (J Francome, 3-1); 3, King Ba Ba (A Webbox, 9-2), Also ran. 6 Western Sunset, 10 Soundal Boy (6m), 6 Sallor's Return (4th), 20 Approaching (5th), 7 ran. 11, 10, F Walwayn at Lambourn, Total £2.60; £1.50, £2.10, DF £3.00, CSF: £7.13. \$2.50; \$1.50, \$2.10. DF \$2.00. CSF: \$7.13.

\$5.5 (2m Chase) 1, LEFT BANK (J Francome, 4-1; 2, Tolmedishach (N Madden, 7-2 lav; 3, Romany Nightshade (H Davies, 9-2). Also ran: 5 Midnight, Song (45h), 8 Spirning Saint (p/lup), 10 Resiliess Short (5th), 12 Walnut, Wonder (p/lup), Bermy's Boy (felh), 20 Zeidet's Fancy (6th), 25 Broadless (p/lup), 100 Current Chance (eff.), 17 ran. 81, 101. D Morley at Bury St Edmunds, Tote: WiN; \$2.90; places: \$1.50, \$1.50, \$1.50, DF: \$10.50, CSF: \$17.69. TRCAST: \$50.25. TOTE DOUBLE \$7.85. TRCAST: \$50.25. TOTE DOUBLE \$7.85. TRCAST: \$50.25. TOTE \$1.00.265. PAGEPOT: \$1.90.

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OLYMPIC GAMES

satisfied that American organizers will not continue with the controthe Olympic torch relay for this summer's games in Los Angeles.
"We received a telex assuring

the selling of the relay has officially and categorically ended," secretary-general of Gre Filaretos, said. The committee had been con-

ric committee Bad been convinced by the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee's latest assurance, and would do everything to ensure the Olympic flame's "smooth and traditional transfer to the United States." A bitter fend has been raging for many months, between the Los Angeles Olympic organizers and

Greek officials, over American plans to raise \$30m for youth sports programmes. The Greeks apposed the plan, which allowed sponsors to pay \$3,000 for each kilometre covered by Olympic torch hearers in the United States. the United States.

According to Peter Ueberroth, the president of LACOC, some 4,000 kilometres of the 19,000 kilometre coast-to-coast relay have already found sponsors. He said 9,000 kilometres would be run without sponsors, by amateur athletes and former American marathon champions.

Mr Filaretos said the LAOOC's decision to call a halt to acceptia contributions from sponsors was *a compromise but the only solution to

the disagreement.

But Spyros Fotinos, the mayor of ancient Olympia, near the site of the original Olympic Games of 776BC. has said his 700 villagers are determined to stand in the way of the the residence to stand in the way of the flame-kindling ceremony "unless American organizers give back all the

American organizers give back all the modey already collected." The flamelighting is scheduled for May 3.

The flame will be electronically transmitted to the United States from Greece on May 7. The ceremony, in New York City, launches the relay that ends on July 28 in Los Appelled at the committee. 28 in Los Angeles at the opening of the Games.

SKHNG

Swiss can bank on success

The Swiss and the Americans rising to the great occasions, took most of the honours in the Alpine ski racing season, which ended in Oslo at the weekend.

The leading figures in both teams suffered bitter disappointments, but not many passed up the extra proportionities of success and world.

opportunities of success and world-wide fame offered in an Olympic The versatile Pirmin Zurbriggen

and the statom specialist. Fika
Hess, revovered from Olympic
failure to win the overall men's and
women's World Cups. Debbie Armstrong and Peter Meuller came nowhere in the World Cup but won gold and silver at Sarajevo. And the Mahre twins took gold and silver in the Olympic slalom and promptly

"It is winning the Olympics which counts in the history books," 21 hundredths of a second down season, "Nobody will look too hard to see who won the World Cup this



Wengen, climaxing with gold in Sarajevo and adding two more World Cup wins

Johnson and the Swiss, who eclipsed their arch-rivals, the Austrans, look likely to maintain their decempance next session.

youngest ever Alpine gold medal winner. And Maria Walliser, who took the

my winter." she says, smiting a highly marketable smile.

By William Stephens

Alan Lovell, the holder, advanced amateur championship, sponsored Court Palace yesterday when he defeated Thane Warburg the ucteated Thane Warburg inc Cambridge University captain, son of David Warburg, three times Amateur champion by 6-1; 6-1, 6-2 Lovell, who deposed Howard Angus, a fellow Wykehanist and former world champion after his 15-year hold on the Amateur title in 1981, only to lose it back to him a year later, was too severe for Warburg, frequently volleying strvice off the penthouse roof into the Declars

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ATHLETICS: SOUTH AFRICAN'S OLYMPIC AMBITIONS

Miss Budd runs into tough opposition on the first lap

covered the first lap, never mind reached the bell, in her race to represent Britain at the Olympic Games in Los Angeles in August. Though her switch from South African to British nationality now seems assured. she has many more barriers to clear, not the least being a formidable group of British women who are harbouring the same ambition.

this year have been exceptional. but her intended new homeland has also taken great strides forwards over 3.000 metres, the event in which she is most likey to seek Olympic selection. during the past two years.

Zola Budd's best times in comparison to world and British records over relevant Olympic distances:

800 METRES: World record: J Kratochvilova (Cz). 1 min 53.28 sec. British record: C Boxer. 1-59.06. Zota Budd: 2-0.9. 1500 METRES: World record: T Kazankma (USSR). 3-52.47. British record: C Benning, 4-1.53. Zota Budd: 4-1.83. 3000 METRES: World record: S Ulmasova (USSR), 8-26.78. British record: W Siy, 8-37.06. Zola Budd: 8-37.50.

Five or the six fastest times on the United Kingdom alltime list have been set since 1981, and the British No 2, Jane Furniss, said yesterday that Miss Budd may need more than a few months to adapt to the demands of competition over

here. At the age of 17. Miss Budd has this year run within a few tenths of a second of the British records for 800, 1.500, and 3.000 metres. Her greatest potential appears to be over holder further suggested that the

Zola Budd has hardly 5,000 metres, in which she has overed the first lap, never been credited with 15min 01.83sec, some seven seconds faster than the official world record, held by Mary Decker, of the United States, But, since there is to be no women's race at that distance in Los Angeles, she will have to choose between 1,500 metres and 3,000 metres.
Miss Furniss, who was

seventh in the world championame ambition.

Miss Budd's performances his year have been exceptional, but her intended new homeland as also taken great strides orwards over 3.000 metres, the event in which she is most likey string the place in the world cross-country championship on Sunday, said: "Zola is going to find it harder than she probably the place of the place o ship 3,000 metres last August, realizes. She will have to run the Olympic trials and there are loads of girls capable of giving her a good race. She might not be able to cope with having so many people up with her instead of being out on her

> Miss Budd, formerly matriculation student at the Central High School in Bloemfontein, has become the world's best-known barefoot runner, going without shoes because she regards them as a physical handicap. She has never been spiked, mainly because South Africa has no one capable of getting anywhere near her, but to continue barefoot in Britain

would be to invite injury.

Christina Boxer. Britain's leading candidate for the Olympic 1,500 metres, said yesterday. "She would not be able to compete barefoot in Britain not only because of the athletes around her but also because the tartan surface is slippery when the weather is wet and her footing would be unsafe."

Univ), A Rawnsley (Doncaster Colf), P Sheera (Liverpool Univ), P Sherman (Bradford Univ) H Sharp (Leeds Poly).

amateur international between Great Britain and France will be played at Oldham. The British team, which includes ten new caps,

will be looking for their seventh successive victory over France. The

game receives sponsorship from Greater Manchester Council and

Oldham Metropolitan Borough.

The Great Britain tour of

Australasia from May 13 to August 9 will include three internationals in

Australia and three in New Zealand.

Fulham will play Kent Invicta in

4, the eve of the Challenge Cup final

down the challenge and they accepted. We hope it will become an

at Wembley. The Invicta vice-chairman. Len Pearce said: "We threw

a friendly at Crayen Cottage on

On Sunday the fourtythird



Time is not on the side of Miss Budd.

osychological pressure placed You get boxed in they use on Miss Budd might be too elbows and hands, anything much for one so young. goes. Our athletes lead a Everyone is going to expect her to do amazing things, but it is protected life. We apply the rules very strictly. Zola is small, slim and very shy. I am really not a foregone conclusion. A lot will depend on her character. feeling sorry for her." Some athletes cope better with pressure than others and we Provided Miss Budd is

she will react."

expectations in Britain.

deep end of a pool before you can swim", he said, "It's a real

can't tell at the moment how granted a British passport - and the Home Office has said it While one leading South would view "with sympathy" African newspaper commented her application - she would that Miss Budd could hardly be then need to overcome rule blamed for wanting inter-national competition, the presinumber eight of the Olympic Charter. The rule states that an dent of the South African athlete must wait three years Amateur Athletic Union, Charafter a change of nationality. les Nieuwoudt, was pessimistic for her chances of living up to but this can be reduced, or even cancelled, by agreemer

between the international feder-"It's like beig thrown into the ation and the national Olymic committee concerned. Further approval would then be needed war over there. You ask for from the International Olympic nothing and nothing is given. Committee.

RUGBY UNION

Colclough leaves the international scene

Lious and England lock, has retred from International rugby. He informed the RFU secretary Bob Weighill yesterday from his home in France, where he has been sorting out business commitments. Cokelough will be unable to tour with England if they vote to go to South Africa this summer and his loss will be a considerable blow for the England coach Richard Green-wood.

Colclough, who will still be available for Wasps and his county, avaimuse for Wasps and his county, Sussex, has won 21 England caps and played in all four internationals for the Lions on their tours to South Africa (1980) and New Zealand (1983).

(1983).

The England captain, Peter Wheeler, said, "This is a big blow. Maurice is a big man in all respects and he will be missed on and off the field by the players.

"He will be very difficult to follow and players with his international experience are hard to replace. I experience are hard to replace. I know he has had a tremendous battle against injury, plus business commitments in France, and it must have been a major strain on him this

"There are a number of young locks who have been making noises and now one of them is going to get a chance sooner than he thought. David Hands writes: Colclough's decision will further weaken Eng-land in an area where they have no obvious replacements. The lineout bas been a major source of discussion during this season's championship and some thought



Colclough: difficult to follow

must have been given to moving Colclough back to No 4 - the

when England won the Grand Slam in 1980.
During the Lions' tour of New Zealand in 1983, he had only just recovered from cartilage and liagament damage sustained playing against France in January and was no at his best. Things did not improve this seem the performed improve this season. He performed criditably as leader of the London division side which ran the All Blacks close and scored the only try of the match when England beat New Zealand last November. That was the highlight of his, and England's season. As Syddall, the Waterloo lock, is injured the selectors may now take a closer look at Cusani and kimmins, the Orrell

Bailey takes the helm from the port side

Mark Bailey, the Cambridge University captain and England trialist left wing, will lead England's Under-23 team against a Rest team composed of England students at Richmond on April 4. The game will act as a trial for selection of the

surrounded the position of left wing in England's senior side last season. it is interesting to see that the Under-23 team includes another left wing. Goodwin, of Moseley, on the

right.
Bailey has two of his Cambridge colleagues in the backs, Simms, the Liverpool centre, and Andrew at stand-off half, who played for the Under-23s last season. The forwards

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent cester loose head prop, whose brother Steve was capped at senior level as a replacement against Ireland this season. Stuart Redfern played for the

Midlands division against New Zealand last November but was prevented by unjury from bidding for higher honours. He is now back

(David Hands writes).

After the semi-final was washed out last Saturday by the weather.

Nottingham offered April 7 as an

Bath argued that the April 7 date was only a week after the county

Under-23 party to tour Spain in May. In view of the controversy which in the Leicester side

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RUGBY LEAGUE

Britain aim for first win

There is one area of rugby league where Britain does not dominate France. At senior student level. tive games, with the tweffth taking place in Villeneuve-sur-Lot tomorrow. The British students have been

undergoing intense preparation with their coach. Geoff Peggs. The game is making rapid strides among senior students under the auspices of the University and College Amateur Rugby League Association, but the French stu-dents have had an organized 13-aside game for much longer and are extremely strong. The British team contains players from four universilies, one polytechnic, two colleges sind one technical college.
TEAM: A Bainy (Salford Univ), M Branch (Liverpool Univ); A Browne (Walefeld District Coll), M Bagshaw (Liverpool Univ), D Burks (Leeds Poly), A Daidin, D Elle, K Ells (Walefeld Destrict Coll), M Hancock (Migan Tach), K Hinchley (Liverpool Univ), P Proctor (Bradford)

SCHOOLS FOOTBALL

Two Essex schools unbeaten

Two Essex schools can look back on the Lent term with satisfaction Chigwell, despite losing Tapper, their prolific goal scorer in the Christmas term, have fared well, not lining a school match, and including a 6-3 win over Westminster. a 6-3 win over Westminster.
Brentwood have swept all before
them, winning their 10 school
matches, among which were 6-1
victories over Hailesbury and
Christ's Hospital. Allison and
Sakala over the season since
September have scored 53 goals
between them.

Charterhouse this week started a tour in Bermuda to conclude their season. Griffiths has been outstanding during the term scoring 14 of their 39 goals including two hat-tricks. The highlights were against king Edward's School, Witley. Oratory and Sandhurst. King Edward's School. Witley, were particularly pleased to com-

plete a first ever double against Lancing. Having won 1-0 in November they followed this up by winning 3-1 in March. Snashall their captain and goalkeeper, with three others, played for Southern Public Schools.

Millfield include in their oppo-

sition no fewer than six professional youth teams and recently they defeated a Bristol City youth Xi. In their school matches they have lost only to Torquay Grammar School and rounded off their season with a good 2.1 good 3-1 win over Charterhouse. Worcester Royal GS had six players in representative matches, Rowberry Newman and Warrington, who is only 15, being outstanding. They have lost once and that only by the odd goal to Gandsworth GS, and have achieved worth with the control of th

good wins against Clifton and Bedford. In their half term tour to the north they were unbeaten, with successes against Burnley and QEGS Blackburn. Of the other Lent term schools, Harrow have a remarkable un-leaten record of 17 matches against

IN BRIEF

MOTORCYCLING: A world re-cord £101,000 prize for the sport was put on offer yesterday by Motor Circuit Developments, operators of Brands Hatch, Oulton Park and Brands Hatch, Outlon rain and Snetterton, It will go to any rider who wins all six legs of the Transnational Trophy which takes place over Easter and Mayday weekends at the three MCD circuits and Conjusters

and Donington. VOLLEYBALL: Lyn Tennant, the former Scottish international who moved South to play for Hillingdon. the English champions, is now eligible through marriage to play for England. She is likely to be chosen in the squad for the Spring Cup in West Germany next month.

taking four chances

By a Special Correspondent Lucinda and David Green will be hoping for better weather than they had on Sunday at Frensham, where the advanced classes were rained off.

Mrs Green, the world champion, rides no fewer than four horses, rides no fewer than four norses, Regal Realm. Village Gossip. Shannagh and Encounter, all sponsored by SR Direct Mail. With Regal Realm being saved for the Olympic Games, the 16-year-old Gossip is a possible contender for next month's Badminton three-day

at this stage of his preparation for Badminton.

Both Richard Meade (with George Wimpey's Timaru) and Capt Mark Phillips (on the Range Rover team's Blizzard II) will be confining their efforts to the open intermediate class. Their Badminton entries will be waiting for Brigstock on Sunday.

Meade was one of those who had a ride at Frensham before the event was abandoned. But he would not describe that as an advantage since

A service of thanksgiving for Geoffrey Miller, the European sports editor of Associated Press, who died in Sarajevo last month, will be held at the church of St. Bride, Fleet Street, at noon on Thursday, April 5.

Milk Cup Final repla Everton v Liverpool (at Maine 7.45)
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EQUESTRIANISM

Mrs Green

taking a lorry-load of horses to the Rushall horse trial, sponsored by Midland Bank, in Witshire today,

next month's Badminton three-day event, assuming that he continues to make light of his advancing years.

Virginia Holgate, deprived of a run with British National Insurance's Night Cap on Sunday, has been allowed to make a late entry at Rushall. The horse needs an outing at this stage of his preparation for Radminton.

describe that as an advantage since Timaru fell at the water. The cross-country course at Rushall has been moved to higher ground and many of the fences will be visible from the hilltop car park.

Thanksgiving service

TODAYS FIXTURES

"You can do it on your own. I think that's why I've done well. But I need somebody to help me mentally when I'm

Keyntes v Merthyr Tydfi: VS Rugby v Bridghorth. REPRESENTATIVE HATCH: FA XI v FA (at coached, really, and didn't play a very conventional game," she said.

SPORTS COUNCIL

Council warning on drugs

The Sports Council are to concerned with cheating and illness consider withdrawing their grants from governing bodies who refuse to introduce random drug-testing. John Wheatley, the Sports Council's director general, said yesterday that they had decided to take greater responsibility for removing drug abuse, and that withdrawing their grant aid support was one of the options they will consider.

He said: "All the governing bodies I have spoken to are in favour of this move. Sport is concerned with honesty and health, and drugs are

and the Sports Council cannot stand by and watch this situation." At present, only 14 of the 60 governing bodies under the Sports Council's umbrella use the free drag-testing facilities which have been made available by the Council.

will now be put to Minister of Sport, Neil Macfarlane, before he goes to a conference of European sports ministers in Malta, which will

The Rugby Football Union have championship final when 13 of their monounced that the remaining John players will be representing Somer-Player Cup semi-final between Nottingham and Bath will be played

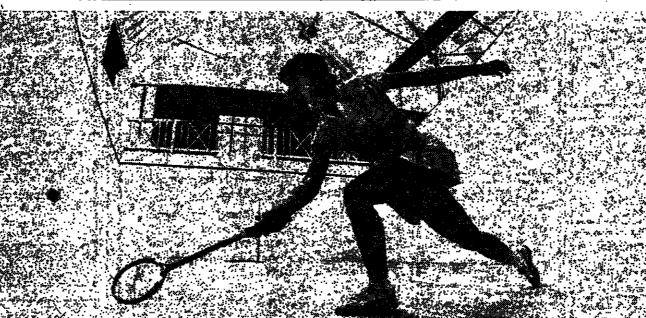
April 14.

set. They are understandably anxious to avoid injuries with a cuptie looming, yet had last Saturday's game taken place. Bath would have been without two injured first

been without two injured first choice players.

The April 14 date, however, would have allowed Bath to select Chilcott, their regular loose head prop, who is currently serving a suspension which ends on April 12. The winners on April 7 will meet Bristol, the holders, in the final.

Squash rackets: Miss Cumings is poised to challenge the best



Reaching for success: Alison Cumings, honing her game for this year's British Open. (Photograph: Ian Stewart).

All-rounder angling for the top

That renowned Guernsey coach, Reg Harbour, is a former mathematics master who has applied the principles of geometry to the tactical patterns of squash. There is a perverse logic in the fact that a likeminded young womam, Alison Cumings, has long been a source of competitive anxiety to the Guernsey-born players who rank first and second in Britain: Lisa Opie and Martine le Moignan. Miss Cumings, who beat both to win the

national championship 14 months ago, knows plenty about angles. She would have been a draughtswoman had she not been a squash professional, and she finds the mobile geometry of snooker relaxing. Snooker arrived in the Reigate household during a period when Miss Cumings was not fit enough to play squash. For the

second time, injury had introduced her to a new sporting interest. A decade ago her father, formerly a racing cyclist, had a cartilage operation and turned to squash to keep himself fit. After his matches he would play a few shots with Alison. "Squash was the last sport I took up," she said. "I was about 14. Within a year I'd got in the Surrey team. But there were not that many juniors: anyone who could hit the ball and run could do well."

Oddly, Miss Cumings has had no particular coach, though several dis-tinguished players, including Hiddy Jahan and Barbara Diggens, have advised her. "And I've got my own personal feed: my Dad. We play for hours and hours.

not playing my strokes." The biggest influence on her game was probably that of John Skinner, a former British international, who helped her through four teenage years. She felt they had much in common. "He'd never been

"She had a lot of talent," Skinner says, "but she was rather lazy and stiff-legged to start with: not the good mover she is "But she progressed and I asked Ken Davies of Slazenger to have a look at her. He gave her a contract."

Miss Cumings did very well indeed. Last September, however, she was suddenly reduced to one sound foot when playing Rebecca Best in the final of a townsament at Munich. A metatarsal bone had snapped in half. "I heard it go, but I tried to play on, hopping along." That put her out of the game for almost five months—and out of the national rankings, too. She missed the world championship series and could not defend her British title, but in her first tournament back she beat Carin Clonda of Australia, ranked fifth in the world. A week later she took a game from Miss Opie, which is not an easy thing

"You must be in the top four here to earn a living"

"If I can challenge Lisa after a fivemonth lay-off I've got to feel confident of though ay-out I've got to feel confident of challenging anybody, Alison said. "No one else in this country has done that against Lisa this season. She's being coached by Jonah Barrington and she's getting everything right." Miss Opie, Miss Cumings, Miss le Moignan, and Ruth Strauss, all aged between 20 and 22 years in Australian hands.

"We've pushed each other up, Alison said. "I can be No 1. If it has to be No 2 or No 3 I don't mind, as long as I feel that I've fulfilled my potential. There's still a lot to come."

Miss Cumings reckons that the contract has provided about 30 per cent of her income. Prize money has raised about 20 per cent. The other 50 per cent has come from her sponsors, Avia International, the watch company. "In this country you have to be in the top four to start earning a living from the game." To save money for overseas tours she has worked part-time at two local greengrocers and she now works three hours a day packing watches.

The Cumings family have all been gifted at one sport or another. "My parents and sister reached quite a high level. Dad was a pretty good cyclist, and my sister Elaine swam for Surrey under-18s. Miss Cumings excelled as a schoolgirl at

hockey, netball, athletics, and even football. She three the javelin for Surrey, once competing against Fatima Whitbread. She three the javelin for Surrey, once competing against Fatima Whitbread. She played five-a-side football for Oxted in the final of the Oxted teams who won five consecutive national hockey titles. One of the other interests was art. I

liked drawing. I took O-levels at art, technical drawing, and maths, because I knew that if I couldn't do some kind of sport, those were the most important exams for a draughtswoman. At the same time as I was taking my O levels I won the British junior open and got selected for England. My parents decided they would allow me to have a year at squash, just to see in what direction I could go".

They know now. "It was always my ambition to become good in one of the sports, to succeed at something in life, to get to the top in whatever job I was going to do. I know where I want to get to. That's why I've done well. If you really want to do it you will keep on going and eventually it will come right."

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about the description of a maisonette in central London as "one of the better flats to come on to the market in Eaton Square", when one expects an estate agent to exaggerate the claims of a property he is selling, or at least display a certain amount of licence in saying it is without doubt the finest to come his way.

Eaton Square is the key, however, for Andrew Langton, managing director of Aylesford and Company who offered this description - added that if you ask half a dozen agents for the very best location, most would say "it has got to be Eaton Square, then Grosvenor Square."

Mr Langton believes there are not so many good flats in London, compared with New York or Paris for example, but he is selling one now - at No 93, Eaton Square, former home of the Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin at an asking price of £1,260,000. It was at one time the headquarters

of the Nuffield Foundation and then was acquired by Iranians in the 1970s. When a rebuilding programme was nearly completed, the house burned down in mysterious circumstances. Whatever the cause, the house was shell, leaving a good view of the sky

from the basement. Since then the house has been totally rebuilt and divided into three flats, the first two going for £1m and £450,000.

The last carpets are now being laid on the remaining maisonette, which occupies the ground floor and

basement, or lower ground floor as it is called in order not to offend anyone's sensibilities. The joint agents. Aylesford and Knight Frank and Rutley, are offering it on a 62year lease with fitted carpets, curtains and other fixtures The interior has been decorated by

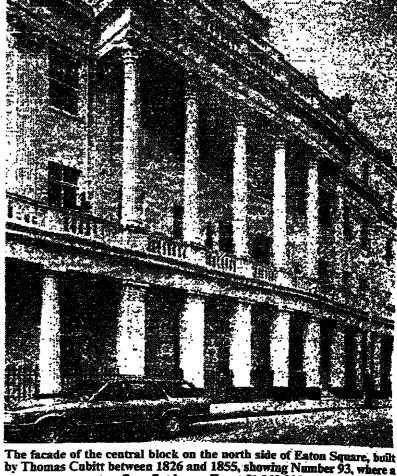
Colefax and Fowler in classical style, less rich than the "Arab renaissance" thich demands gold taps as a start. in the hope that it will attract Europeans or British rather than just oil-rich

Many of the rooms have trompe d'oeil effects, with plaster painted to look uncannily like marble and one wall to look like stone, done by Jim Hardy. The accommodation includes a

bedroom suite, three more double bedrooms and a maid's bedroom, all with a bathroom en suite. The master suite includes a study/library, dressing room and bathroom, and is a formal reception room and dining room. The lower floor looks out on to a patio garden with a spiral staircase to a paved terrace, and the property has a comprehensive security system
Not surprisingly there is only a

limited number of people interested in the best of London flats, and it will not be advertised in the normal way. instead the agents will draw up a list those they think might be

To judge by the experience of the agents. Chestertons, in Grosvenor Square – second best to Eaton Square according to Andrew Langton - few British customers are likely to be on



two floor flat is on offer at £1,260,000.

the list. Chesterton's Mayfair office bathrooms at 40 Cumberland Terrace, have sold six flats in Grosvenor Regent's Park, for £285,000 on a 40 Square in the last six months for a total of £3m. with prices ranging from £150.000 to over £800.000.

An Indian bought two adjoining flats for around £1.5m; a Greek purchased a substantial first floor flat: an Ameriaen bought a 7th floor flat with a separate studio and root terrace; a Frenchman purchased a two bedroomed flat and an Iranian bought a three bedroomed flat. Chestertons have at present on

about fim. and a basement flat with indoor patio and plunge pool for £450,000. Back in Grosvenor Square, again on the favoured north side, Howard Minter and Company are offering a two-floor flat at No 110 at £650.000

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across the park to the west, to Clarence Terrace, where Pearsons are asking £300.000 for a first floor flat at Number 22, a former home of Lord Litchfield. The building, with its Corinthian columns, was designed by Decimus Burton between 1821 and 1823 under the direction of John The flat contains a drawing room,

dining room, double bedroom, single bedroom/study, bathroom and kitchen. The drawing room overlooks the park and its sash windows lead to the colonnaded balcony, and the flat is offered on an 81 year lease. A view of the park is one thing

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Shopping around on the Costa

The slight strengthening of the peseta against the pound over the past five months, in contrast to its slide of the previous year, is just one of the underlying factors which have con-tributed to a significant steadying of Spanish property sales to the British this winter.

With no fear of exchange controls being reintroduced and prices staba-lizing after the frenetic upward trends of the past four year, potential UK purchasers have become more seleclive and are prepared to shop around before deciding on their eventual

leisure home.

The Costa del Sol is still, without doubt, where most of the British aim to buy. The choice is vast, there is no closed season and the optism of the developer seems ever-increasing, particularly as the Middle-Eastern market there is still strong.

The top end of the market is

centred around the vicinity of the Marbella Club where one project currently well into its third phase, El Ancon Sierra, is being built by British developer John Green's company,

City and St. James's Investments Ltd. El Ancon Sierra, situated on a sloping site within the Las Lomas de Marbella Club estate, just behind the Saudi Arabian king's palace, has views both over the Mediterrean to Gibraltar and Tangier and inland to the foothills of the Sierra Blanca.

Unusually for a development so close to Marbella's town centre, John Green has managed to create a tranquil environment within the estate - not an easy achievement along this coast where urban living is becoming the norm.

Of the 16 villas in phases 1 and 2 just five remain, ranging in price from £105,000 to £250,000. They are all finished to an exceptionally high standard with marble floors and skirting throughout, with four or five bedrooms, en-suite bathrooms, vast terraces and private pools. Phase 3, due for completion in June, consists of 30 two and three bedroom terrace apartments and garden townhouses priced from £77,275 to £170,500.

El Ancon Sierra has its own private club for the exclusive use of residents with its own pool, bar and small restaurant. There is a 24 hour management to adminster all security. grounds and pools, maintenance and an on-site letting office.

Not everyone seeks the sophistication of Marbella. For the individulist requiring a custom-built villa, Fincasol, the Spanish and UK based company, have a construction department based at their Sotogrande office with staff able to see a project through every stage.

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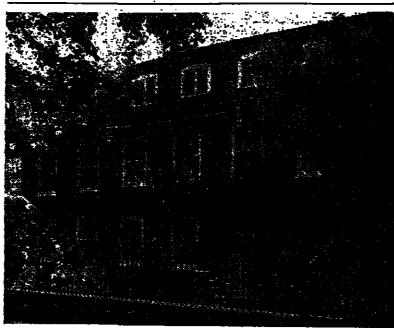
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Yehudi Menuhin is to sell his seventeenth century home in The Grove Highgate Village, where he has lived for the last 24 years. The Knightsbridge office of Knight Frank and Rutley, in conjunction with Aldine Honey and Co., are expecting a price around £650,000 for the property, which is to be offered at auction on May 16 if not sold before. The Grove is a terrace of houses built between 1680 and 1688, situated at the highest point in London in Highgate Village with views over Hampstead Heath, and its residents have included Samuel Taylor

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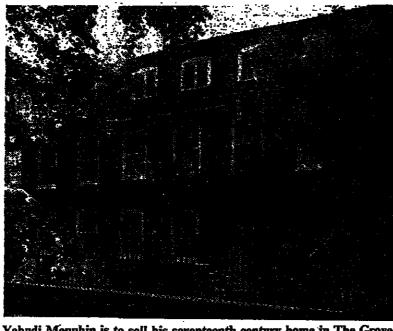
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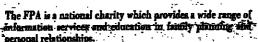
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Today's television and radio programmes

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6.00 Centax AM. 6.30 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Selina Scott, New from Fern Britton at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30 with headlines on the quarter hours; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45 and

at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45 and £.15: television preview at £.55; review of the morning papers at 7.18 and £.16; Mike Smith with the new Top Twenty between 7.55 and £.00; and horoscopes at 8.33. 9.00 Beliamy on Botany. In part six of David Beliamy's ten or David menerny s reci programme series he examines Decay and Delicacy (r) 9.25 Cestax 10.30 Play School, presented by Chice Ashcroft (r) 10.55 Gharbar, Magazine programme of interest to Asian women. Today, Parveen Mizra talks to

representatives of the Londonbased vokintary organisation, Sangan 11.20 Ceefax. 12.30 News After Noon with Richard nitmore and Frances Coverdale The weather prospects come from Bill Giles 12.57 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles) 1.00 Peoble Mill at One. The guests include

cooks Michael Smith and Prue Leith 1.45 Bod (r). 2.00 Film: Secret Beyond the Door* (1948) starring Joan Bennett and Michael Redgrave. Celia discovers too tate that she had married in has a side to his side to his nature that she never knev existed. Directed by Fritz

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Lang. 3.35 Cartoon: Tom and Jerry 3.48 Regional news (not London) 3.50 Magic Roundabout (r) 3.55 Play School, prese by Sheelagh Gilbey (r) 4.20 The New Adventures of Mighty Mouse (r) 4.25
Jacksnory 4.40 Restaghost (r)
5.05 Newsround with Paul
McDowell 5.10 Moonfleet. The final episode of the seafaring

5.46 Sixty Minutes includes news from Moira Stuart at 5.40.

5.40 Harty. The final programme of the series and Russell's guests include the Codo Demon Drummers and Dancers of Sado and, making their first appearance as the group Oasis, Peter Skellern, Mary Hopkin and Julian Lloyd

7.10 Medical Express, Back trouble is the main item this week. The painful condition is estimated to cost industry eleven and a half million working days a year and the NHS some £60 million. There is also news of a successful

7.40 The Day of the Triffids. Part four of the science fiction serial based on the book by John Wyndham (r). 8.10 Fame, Miss Sharwood's new

teaching methods strains the honesty of some of the pupils at New York's High School for the Performing Arts. 9.00 News with Sue Lawley.

9.25 Q.E.D.: Testing Testing. The first of a new s by Anthony Clare examines how ordinary things are tested in an extraordinary way (see Choice).

9.55 Sportsmight introduced by Harry Carpenter includes coverage of the Courage Soccer Six tournament and three greyhound races from Wimbledon. Saturday's Grand National is also previewed. 11.18 News headlines.

11.20 Reminaton Steele, A crooked casino manager receives his come-uppance. 12.10 Weather.

Tv-am

6.25 Good Morning Britain with John Stapleton and Nick Owen. News from Gordon Honeycombe at 6,30, 7,00, 7,30, 8,00, 8,30 and 9,00; sport at 6.35 and 7.35; exercis 6.50 and 9.15; the day's anniversaries at 7.05 and 8.05; a guest in the Spotlight at 7.20; cartoon at 7.25; Pat Phoentx at 7.40, 8.45, and 9.12; 7.56 pop video; Ray Davies's magic moments at 8.10; Eve llaro's gossip column at

ITV/LONDON 9.25 Thamas news headlines, 9.30 For Schools: War reporting. 9.47 Teaching children safety 10.04 The customs and event associated with Easter 10.21 The importance of writing Summer 1968 11.10 The people and elements of a village 11.22 Basic maths 11.39 How we used to live The coronation of Queen

Elizabath II. 12.00 Flicks. Christopher Lillicrap with the story of Peter's Chair 12-10 Sounds Like a Story. Mark Wynter with the tale of The Fisherman and the Genie (r) 12.30 Three Little Words Quiz game for married

couples. 1.00 News with Leonard Parkin 1.20 Thames news from Robin Houston 1.30 A Plus. Kay Avila talks to Ann Oakley about miscarriages. 2.00 Crown Court. Continuing the case of the Pakistani accused of

assaulting a right-wing youth. 2.30 A Country Practice. Drama serial about a medical practice in the Australian outback 3.30 Sons and Daughters. Stevie fights for his life.

4.00 Flicks. A repeat of the programme shown at noon 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 Letty. Part one of a new series begins with Letty and her three friends, Brian, Trevor and Cath, arriving at the Meadowbank Children's Home. 4.50 Jangles. Final episode (r) 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. Pat Sugden orders her former husband out of Beckindale. Will he take their

5.45 News 6.00 Themes news with Andrew Gardner and Tina Crossroads. Carole Sands is put in a difficult position by her brother Colin while Doug

daughter with him?

Brady asks a big favour of his brother-in-law. 6.40 This is Your Life. Eamonn Andrews with another potted biography.

7.10 Coronation Street. Bet Lynch accepts Fred Gee's invitation to accompany him to the brewery's dinner/dance but Betty Turpin refuses to run the Rovers' on her own (Oracle

titles page 170). 7.40 Football: Milk Cup Final Replay. Brian Moore is the commentator at Maine Boarl. Manchester, for the match between Liverpool and Everton. Brian Clough is on

hand to make pithy 9.30 Charlie. Part two of the fourpart thriller mixing murder with union corruption. Starring

David Warner (Oracle titles page 170). 10.30 News followed by Thames news headlines.

11.00 Thames Sport Special introduced by Steve Rider. Five-a-side football from Wembley and boxing from Aberavon where Colin Jones meets Allan Braswell in a welterweight contest. 12.25 Night Thoughts from Rev Bill

THE ROYAL BALLET

Toy gun tester at work: Q.E.D. (BBC1, 9.25pm)

BBC 2

6.55 Open University: Chemistry

9.38 Daytime on Two: Animals of

the soil, 10.00 Clap hands. 10.15 Maths counts, 10.38

information on food labels

11.06 Trog and the dog. 11.17 Children's film music. 11,39

Writing music for film and television themes. 12.05 The

examines the work or members of parliament, 12,55 Micros in schools, 1,21 Italy and the Italian language, 1,38 Part four of The Daughter of King Ron. 2,01 Houses of different countries, 2,18 Normitte purifier, 2,18

final lesson of the Italian

conversation course.

examines the work of

Narrative writing for beginners. 2.40 Zig Zag.

5.10 Mentally Handicapped: A Dependent Future. An Open

5.35 News summary with subtitles. 5.40 Firm: Gunfighters of Casa

Cowboy yarn about a

Roy Rowlands.

track of Tom.

active service.

*8.35 Geoffrey Smith's World of

9.00 Pot Black 84. The first

(see Choice).

10.30 Newsnight.

unit (r).

7.10 Swallows and Amezons

Grande (1964) starring Alex Nicol and Steve Rowland.

notorious gunman, Jos Daylight, and his attempts to

nustie a number of large herds of cattle, aided and abetted by

a gang of outlaws. The first ranch they decide to attack is the Casa Grande. Directed by

Forever! The nasty Hullabaloos are still on the

7.35 Open Space: Only Fools and

8.05 Sailor. The final programme of

some of the crow of the

the series examines what

scrapped aircraft carrier Ark

Royal are doing now, eight years after they were filmed on

Flowers. This week Mr Smith

examines the history and origins of mountain flowers (r).

semifinal - John Spencer

Episode 12, Roger Qualite's career is rocked by a scandal

meets a girl who is strangely

BBC's outside broadcasting

versus Jimmy White.

11.15 The Twilight Zone: Nightman as a Child* A schooknaster

11.40 We Bring You Live Pictures.
Part three of the history of the

12.10 Open University: Computing: Linear Equations 12.35 Non-Euclidean Geometry. Ends at

Sportsmen. A documentary that examines drug abuse in

sport - something that has reached epidemic proportions

Mary, two mentally handicepped peop

University production that

examines the lives of Alan and

3.00 Ceefax.

12.30 The last in a series that

Crystals. 7.20 Looking at Poems. 7.45 Conceptual

Models in Stratigraphy, Ends at 8.10. 9.00 Coefex.

For reasons it would take a psychiatrist to fathom, the commentary for TESTING, TESTING (BBC 1, 9.25pm), the film that rings up the curtain on another series of Q.E.D., the science for Everyman series, is delivered by the BBC's resident psychiatrist, Anthony Clare, it is not as if he had written it himself. Could it be, perhaps, that being trish, it was argued that his would be the ideal voice for a film that has a high willmsical content? Not that it needed the hint of mockery in his voice to bring on the Monty Pytinon plourancy of consumer tests such as the one performed on golf balls to ensure that they do not travel too far when hit, or that have a managed to far when hit, or the stronges glass is used for that internationally renowned drink that, according to the posters, life goes better with – and its fizz force ones not rise above 50 psi. Potentially the film's most amusing sequence is they do not travel too far when hit, or the vacuum cleaner test that requires the vacuum cleaner test that requires dust specially imported from Sweden, or (apparently, a serious project), the

CHANNEL 4

5.00 People's Court. Retired judge

programme in the serie

devoted to people who spend their energies on a special subject focuses on Ken Jones

seal doctor, Tonypendy-box Mr Jones has lived with his

wife in St Agnes, Comwall, since 1958. They bought a beach cafe and it was there

that they met their first seal - I

two-day old pup who refused to return to the sea. It was eventually kept in a bath. From

this small start grew a seal sanctuary which became so

6.00 The Munsters* Harman is persuaded by an advertisement to buy ten

remote acres for use as a

dublous estate agents try to buy it from him when Herman

a delapidated ghost-town.

programme in the series

examining television's and cinema's approach to the

concept of the family, de

with the optimistic 50s. The Ordinary Devoted Mother was

the title of a series of radio broadcasts by psycho-analyst Dr.D. W. Winnicott in which he

sang the praises of housework

and childrearing. The 50s also

brought commercial television with happy families in the soap

adverts but Dan Farson

7.50 Comment. The political slot this week is taken by Jeremy

Richmond and Barnes.

8.00 Brookside. Berry and Terry

7.00 Channel Four News.

brought reality to the screen with his series, People in

Hanley, Conservative MP for

are still sweating over Tommy McArdle's missing car while at the Cross's attempts are made

to reconcile Harry and his son,

Diverse Reports. Weekly current affairs programme with, this week, Ferdinand Mount.

Sterary editor of The Spectator

talking about a plan to privatize Britain a bus services.

A strange story based on a real afe incident when, in 1828 a

young man was found standing

main square with a prayer book

in one hand and a letter to the local regimental riding master

the other. Directed by Werner

chairs a discussion between

Richard Lewontin of Hervard

11.00 Voices. Robert Hutchinson

Robert Trivers of the

University of California

and Marvin Harris of the

University of Florida, on the

theme Sociobiology: Culture

Harzog.

12.05 Closedown.

motionless in Nuremberg's

9.90 Film: The Enigma of Kasper Hauser (1974) starring Bruno S.

6.30 Flashback. The eighth

discovers that the land is really

large it has had to be moved to Gweek on the Helford River.

nily holiday hideaway. Two

Headache.

5.30 Enthusiasts. The third

Wapner passes judgment I the case of How to Get a

the film's most amusing sequence is the one that shows exploding oustand powder. But the grin freezes on our powder. But the grin freezes on lips when we are told that precis

Radio 4

such a blast seriously injured eight factory workers, back in 1981. • STRANGERS AND BROTHERS

of his extra-marital relationship deepens in tonight's perulitimate episoda. As Lewis Eliot, Shaughan

lgent listener on British

6.00 News Briefing: Weather.
6.10 Farming Today. 6.25 Shipping.
6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Payer. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.46 Thought for the Day. 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.
8.00 News

9.00 News.
9.05 Midwesic Libby Purves and studio guest Neil Kinnock, the Labour Party Isader.
10.00 News; Gerdeners' Cuestion Time. 10.30 Morning Story: "The Doctor's

Prescription" by Guy De Maupessant. Read by David

Msupassant. Read by David March.

10.45 Daily Service.

11.00 News: Travel; Baker's Dozen with Richard Baker.

11.48 Through My Window. Second of stx programmes in which busy people pause swhile and consider the view from their windows: Pam Ayres.

12.00 News; You and Yours.

12.27 The Bird of Dawning by John Masefield. A serial in six parts (5): 12.55 Westher.

1.00 The World at One: News.

1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping.

2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Today's edition includes an interview with Professor Sir Fred Hoyle, the astronomer, physicist and author.

astronomer, physicist and author.
Afternoon Theatre: Visiting, by
Coin Haydn Evens. Roger Cost Hayon Evans. Hoger
Hammond plays the man,
recently released from a
psychiatric hospital who, sitting in
the park to escape the neverending talk of his landlady, meets
a girl (Tilly Vosburgh) less than
half his age.†

3.45 Time for Verse. Judgmant Day in

poetry. 4.00 News; Just After Four. More. opera house memories from Edward Downes. 4.10 File On 4. A second chance to

hear last night's edition.
4.40 Story Time: "Woman and Puppet" by Pierre Louys (5).
5.00 PM: News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather.
6.00 The St. O'clock News.

6.30 My Music. A musical panel game, chaired by Steve Race.
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.

7.20 How to Be . . , An MP. Patrick Hannan gives some career

BBC1 Wales: 12.57pm-1.00 News of Wales Headlines: 3.48-3.50 News of Wales Headlines: 5.55 Wales today: 12.10am News and weather. Scotland: 12.55pm-1.00 The Scotlish News: 5.55 Scotland: Sixty Minutes. 12.10am News and weather. Northern Ireland: 12.57pm-1.90 Northern Ireland: News: 3.48-3.50 Northern Ireland News: 5.55 Scotle Around Six: 12.10am News and weather. England: 5.55pm Regional news magazines: 12.15am Close.

S4C 2.00Beth, Sur, Pam, Pryd a Bie? 2.20 Pfalabalam, 2.35 Hyn O Pyd. 2.20 Fraisbelam. 2.35 Hyn O Fyd. 2.55 Egwyl/Interval. 3.15 Years Ahead. 4.00 4 What It's Worth. 4.25 People's Court. 4.55 Pictiwas Bech. 5.00 Smyriffs. 5.30 The Munsters. 6.00 Brookside. 6.30 Bewitched. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Gofaint Gorau Cynnu. 8.00 Gwraidd Y Gainc. 8.30 Y Byd Ar Bedwar. Penawdau Newyddion/News Headlines. 9.00 Film Simon (Alan Artin). 10.45 Camilio. 1.15 There if Always Be Stars in the Sky. 12.10 Voices. 1.05 Diwedd/Close.

TVS As London except starts 9.25
Farming Brief. 1.20 TVS News.
1.30 Afternoon Club. 1.35 Home Rules.
2.10 Miracles Take Longer. 2.40 Mr & Mrs. 3.10 Newsbeak. 3.20 Sons and Daughters. 3.50 A-Z Gadgets. 5.15 Silver Spoons. 8.00 Coast To Coast.
11.00 Boxdng: Colin Jones v Allan Braswell. 12.00 Superstar Profile: Donald Sutherland. 12.30 Company, close.

(BBC 2, 9.40pm) continues to make heavy demands on our powers of concentration. There is not a throwconcentration. There is not a throw-away line from start to finish, and if the telephone should ring as you watch the latest episode, you are in danger of, at best, losing your compass and, at worst, your rudder. Last week's entry into the action of Anthony Hopkins's Roger Quaife has had a tonic effect on the serial. The scandal eymour is proving that he is probably

rision today. Peter Davalle

advice for those who really want to become a Member of Parliament.

7.45 Fat Man on a Roman Road. The third of eight programmes in which 'rom Vermon rides his bycycle from Exeter to Edinburgh (3) The Waters and the Wolds:
Bath to the Costswords (r).

8.15 Anthony Mondries Talling about sam to the Costswords (r).

8.15 Anthony Hopkins Talking about Music. Each week, he explores different musics. different musical work or topic.† Analysis: "The Challenge to Reagen" - Lord Crowther-Hunt chairs a discussion from

Washington on policies and saues that will dominate this year's presidential election

campaign.

9.30 Kaleidoscope, Arts magazine.
Includes comment on Jose
Donoso's book A House in the

Donoso's book A House in the Country.

10.15 A Book at Bedtime: "The Cone-Gatthers" by Robin Jenkins (8). Reed by Tom Fleming.

10.30 The World Tonight, Headlines.

11.15 The Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Today in Parlament.

12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15 Close. Shipping Forecast.

ENGLAND: VIF as above except.

6.25-6.30 Weather: Travel, 10.45-12.00 For Schools: 10.45 Radio History. 11.05 Singing Together. History, 11.05 Singing Together No 20, 11.25 Movement and Drama, 11.45 Contact, 1.55-2.00pm Listening Corner, 2.00-3.06 For Schools; 2.00 The Music

3.80 For Schools: 2.00 The Music Box. 2.25 introducing Geogagraphy. 2.45 Nature. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.90-11.30 Study on 4: 20th Century European Authors: ItaBan. 11.30-12.10 Open University: 11.30 Ballads, Folksong and the Romantics. 11.50 Education Otherwise. 12.30em-1.10 Schools Night-Time Broadcasting.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather, 7,00 News. 7.05 Your Midweek Choice Pachelbel's Canon and Gigue; Bach's Capriccio on departure of beloved brother (Drayfus, harpsichord); Purcell's Chaconne in G minor; Beethoven's

YORKSHIRE As London except: starts 8.25 8.36 Weather. 1.20 Calendar News. 5.15 5.45 Mr and Mrs. 6.00 6.35 Calendar. 11.00

Boxing: Colin Jones v Allan Braswell. 12.00 Barney Miller. 12.30 Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 12.30-1.00 Crown Court. 12.30-1.00 Crown Court. 1.20 Central News. 1.30 Trase Little Words. 2.00 Miracles Take Longer. 2.30-3.30 We'll Meet Again, 5.15-5.45 Mysteries, Mytte and Legends. 5.00 Contracting 5.25-7.00 Central News

Crossroads. 6.25-7.00 Central News. 11.00 Boxing: Colin Jones v Allan Braswell. 12.00 Poor Billy Render. 12.30

GRANADA As London except: 1.20
2.30 Exchange Flags. 3.30 The Young
Doctors. 5.15 The Vintage Quiz. 5.00
This is Your Right. 6.05 Crossroads.
6.30 7.00 Granada Reports. 11.00
Boxing: Colin Jones v Allan Braswell.
12.00 Portrait of a Legend. 12.30
Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except starts 9.25 9.30 North East news. 1.20 North East news. 1.25 1.30 Where the jobs are. 2.50-3.30 The Mysteries of Edgar Wallaca. 5.15-5.45 Family Trees. 6.00-6.02 Crossroads. 6.25-7.00 Northern Life. 11.00 Boxing: Colin Jones v Allan Braswell. 12.00 Epilogue.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

in G minor; Beethoven's Variations on theme from Handel's Judae Maccabeus (Jacqueline du Pré, cello); and Wagner's overture Rienzi.18.00 Aloys Kontarsky, pianos): Haydn's Symph No 90; and Guilmant's March on theme of Handel (Preston, organ).19.00

8.05 Your Midweek Choice: part two. Brahms's Variations on a theme of Robert Schumann (Alfons and

Handel (Preston, organ).19.00
News.

9.05 This Week's Composer:
Schubert. Part one of Lazarus
(with soloists Armstrong, Weltin
Chamorin, Rolle Johnson and
Hill; New Philharmonic Orch and
French Radio Choir,†

10.05 Variations on Paganini's 24th
Captez: We hear two variations
by Szmanowski (Hoelscher,
violin, and Beroff, plano) and
Boris Biacher's (South West
German Radio SO),†

10.35 Chester Summer Music Festiva

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Chester Summer Music Festival
1983: Trevor Pinnock,
harpsichord, plays Rameeu's
Suite in Eminor, Bach's Pretude
and Fugue in C (Weil-Tempered
Clavier); and the IndianConcerto.†
Chicago SO: Ives Symph No 2;
Liszt's Der nachtliche, Zug
Mephisto Waltz; conductors
Tilson-Thomas and Liesdorf.†
Concert Halt Bartok's Sonata No
1, played by Peter Manning, violan
and Julian Jacobson, plano.†1.00
News. 12.15

1.05 Off the Seaten Track: Miles Kington with records featuring, inter alle, Earl Hines, Duke Ellington and Billy Strayhorn, Bengt Hallberg and Ove Lind.†

1.30 Mattinee Musicale: Ulster Orchestra in a first performance of Garath Giton's overture Ervit:

Orchestra in a inst periormance of Gareta Giyn's overture Eryri; also Finzi's Romance for String Orch; Johann Strauss's Emperor Waltz; Lennox Berkeley's Noctume, and Grieg's .

LyricSuite.†
Voice, Fluts and Clarinet: Felicity Lott (sponano). Susen Milan Lott (soprano), Susan Milan (flute) and Anthony Pay (clarine) in works by Villa Lobos; Gordon Jacob; Richard Rodney Benett; Toussel and Copland (As it fell

upon a day)†.

3.15 Amadeus String Trio: Mozart's String Trio movement in G, KANH 66; Schubert's String Trio movement in B flat, D 471; and Beethoven's String Trio in G, Op 9 No 1.†

4.00 Choral Evensong: Ive from Chelmsford Cathedral.14.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: another of Michael Berkeley's selections of

music.† 6.36 Debut in his Radio 3 debut, Alan

6.30 Debut: In his Radio 3 debut, Alan Weiss, pizno, plays Chopin's Sonata in B minor, Op 58.†
7.00 Baroque Brass of London; with Christopher Bowers-Broedbent, organ. Works by Daniel Speer; Gottfried Reiche; Johann Pezel (Two Intrades); and Heisritch Biber (Sonata 'SanctiPolycarpl').†
7.30 BBC Weish Symphony Orchestra: with Waiter Klien. Direct from 5t Devid's Hall. Direct from St David's Hall,
Carolff, Part one. Mozart's
overture Don Glonanni; and the
Plano Concerto No 27.1
8.19 Six Continents; Foreign radio

broadcasts, monitored by the 88C.
8.30 BBC Welch Symphony
Orchestra: part two. Bruckner's
Symphony No 7.f
9.40 Belfast Festival 1983: Jorge
Bolet, plano, plays Brahms's
Sonata No 3 in Finitor, Op 5; and
Pachmenicon's Variations on a

Rachmaninov's Variations on a theme by Chopin, Op 22; and

CHANNEL As London except:
1.20pm-1.30 Channel
news. 5.15 Joe 90. 5.45-5.00 Channel
Report. 8.00 A chance to meet...
Magnas Pike. 10.40 News at Ten: 10.46
Channel news. 10.44 Boxlog: Colin
Jones v Alian Braswell. 11.40 Preview.
12.10 News and weather in French.

ULSTER As London except starts 9,25-9,30 The Day Ahead. 1,20-1,30 Lunchtime, 3,30 The Crazy World of Sport, 3,58-4,00 Ulster News. 5,15,16 Definition 6,09,59 Cond.

Transport 5.59-300 USBS News 5.15-5.45 Definition, 6.09-6.35 Good Evening, Ulster, 11.00 Boxing: Colin Jones v Alian Braswell, 12.00 News at

Liszt's Venezia e Napoli: Gondolista: Taramelia, G 162.† 11.15 News. Until 11.18 VHF only – Open University. 6.35-8.55am Open Forum: Students' magazine; 11.20pm Social Sciences magazine; 11.40-12.00 Magnetic Circuits.

Radio 2

News on the hour (except 9.00pm).
Mejor bulletins: 7.00em, 1.00pm, 5.00
and 12.00 midnight. News headines:
5.30em, 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30 (NIF/MW).
4.00 Colin Berry, 15.30 Ray Moore, 17.30
Terry Wogen tind 8.31 Racing Bulletin.
10.00 Jimmy Young, 112,00 Store Jones
tind 1.05 Sport, 2.00 Gloria Hunsiford
tind 2.02; 3.02 Sport, 3.30 Music all the
way, 14.00 David Hamilton tind 4.02;
5.05 Sport, 6.00 John Dunn find 7.40
Milk Cup Final replay (MF/MW), 9.30
Listen to the Band, 9.55 Sports Desk.
10.00 Give us a Concil (ast of the Listen to the Band, 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 Give us a Conchi (tast of the series) Paddy Feeney presents a natural history gliz, with guests battling for the gittering conch shell. 10.30 Hibert Gregg says Thanks for the Memory. 11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight (stereo trom midnight) 1.00em Charles Nove presents Nightride. 3.00 Olympic Memories Lymn Davies and some team-makes share memories of come team-mates stare memories of Tokyo 1964.† 3.30-4.00 Tommy Relity.† VHF-4.00 With Radio 2-7.49 John Dum. 8.00 Hit List. 8.30 BBC Redio Orch. 9.15 Listen to the Band. 9.30 With Radio 2. 10.00 With Radio 1, 12.00-4.00 am With Radio 2.

Radio 1

News on the half-hour from 6.30 am until 9.30 pm and at 12.00 Midnight (MF/MW). 6.00am Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Betes. 11.30 Gary Davies, incl 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.30 Peter Powell Incl 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 David Jensen. 10.00-12.00 Mark

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SCOTTISH As London except: 1.20 1.30 Scottish News. 3.30 4.00 Positively Unemployed, 5.10 Action Line, 5.20 Crossroads, 6.00 Scotland Today, 6.30 Report, 11,00 Boxing: Colin Jones v Alian Braswell, 11,55 Late Call, 12,00 Private Benjami 12,30 Closedown.

TSW As London except: 1.20-1.30
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Höheybün's Magic birthdays. 5.20-5.45
Crossroads. 6.00 Today South West.
6.30-7.00 Give Us A Clue. 11.00 Boxdng:
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Postscript. 1.40 Weather and

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BORDER As London except 1.20-1.30 Border News. 3.30-4.00 The Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Whose Baby? 6.00-6.35 Lookaround Wednesday. 11.00 Boxing: Colin Jones v Allan Braswell. 12.00 Portrait of a Legend: Frankie Valli. 12.30 Ner summary, close.

ANGLIA As London except: 1.20
1.30 Anglia News. 6.00
6.15 About Anglia. 11.00 Boxing: Colin Jones v Alian Braswell. 12.00 Portrait of a Lagend. 2.35 The Passover Closedown.

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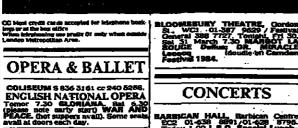
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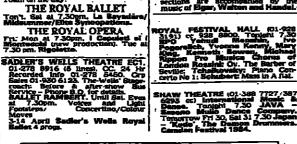
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Chaos as miners choke motorway with 5mph crawl

Striking miners adopted the of the AI in South Yorkshire by driving 150 cars in convoy aged 47, his son Michael, aged down the south-bound carriageway at only five miles an hour.

and Magaca a Min South Yorkshire by below ground. Mr Jim Yates, aged 47, his son Michael, aged 40, mr Terry Hackett, aged 41, and Mr Peter Knapper, aged 35.

cighteen of the drivers were men who wanted to work. arrested for alleged obstruction.

four miners in the Hem Heath pits. Colliery Stoke-on-Trent staged signs that hundreds of miners

NUM's Area Council.

The AI protest started early yesterday when about 150 miners' cars, lined abreast across both lanes of the carriageway and in convoy crawled southwards at a snail's pace for eight miles between Wadworth. South Yorkshire, and the Blyth round-about on the Nottinghamshire border where they were stopped by

The protest was thought to be n retaliation for the action of Nottinghamshire police in stop-oing flying pickets from York-hire at road checks and sending :hem back.

Yorkshire police closed the offected section of the motor-way for two hours to avoid adding to the chaos but hundreds of vehicles were trapped by the block of miners' cars and the tailback of traffic stretched for nearly 12 miles.

Superintendent Peter Owen, of Doncaster police said: "It was sheer cussedness on their part. They were trying to adopt French lorry drivers' tactics but to use it was a straight offence of obstructing the highway." Some of the miners involved

had earlier picketed the Yorkshire headquarters of the National Coal Board in Doncaster where yesterday eight police were hurt and 20 miners arrested. PC Stephen Fair-clough, aged 23, collapsed during scutiles and was taken to hospital but no injuries were found. Seven other policemen received minor injuries caused by heaving and pushing on the picket lines but staff at the headquarters were able to get through to work.

At the Hem Heath Collicry, tactics of French lorry drivers Stoke-on-Trent, four face yesterday and brought chaos to workers defied a call to strike an eigh-mile motorway section and staged a sit-in 3,000 feet The protest by Yorkshire held a press conference below miners was described by police as "sheer cussedness" and "bully boys" for frightening the

Hundreds of other miners in Elsewhere in the coalfields Staffordshire and Warwickshire eight policemen were hurt vesterday defied the strike call during scuffles on a picket line by the Midlands Area of the outside the National Coal NUM and ignored angry pickets Board Area headquarters in to keep at least some pro-Doncaster and in Staffordshire duction going at five of eleven

The Area Executive calld on a sit-in 3,000 feet underground its 13,000 miners to strike to protest against strike action. despite a 3 to 1 vote against In the Midlands there were such action in a ballot two weeks ago. Mr Joe Mckie, the were defying a strike call by the Area President of the NUM said he expected all pits to be at a standstill by the weekend and added: "We want all flying pickets out of the Midlands area now. We will handle our own affairs."

At Lea Hall Colliery, Rugeley. Staffordshire, where about 50 per cent of the morning shift defied angry South Wales pickets and went into work, windows in two coaches carrying workers were broken by pickets, police said last night.

At Nuneaton, a train carrying thousands of tonnes of coal from Nottingham to London was halted for three hours when its driver saw the words "NUM Official picket line" painted on a footbidge over the line. He refused to go on and another driver prepared to cross the unmanned picket line had to be

In Nottinghamshire all 25 pits were working normally, but 20 pickets were arrested at the 20 pickets were arrested at the Silverhill Colliery, near Mansfield. In North Derbyshire eight out of nine pits were at a standstill. In South Derbyshire about 1,000 pickets, mostly from the north of the county were at the Cadley Heath Colliery near Swadlincote where normal attendance and pro-

duction was reported.

The Scottish triple alliance of steel, rail, and mining unions vesterday increased their action in support of the miners' strike by picketing the Ravenscraig steelworks, in Lanarkshire. The NUM is to send more pickets today to Inverness and Peterhead where cargoes of up to 1,000 tons of coal have been landed by ship in recent days despite picketing by miners.





Rough and tumble: Scenes outside the National Coal Board headquarters in Doncaster yesterday. Above: Police leading away a picket and (below) a tangle of bodies after a fence collapsed.

Cool Queen lifts British prestige in Jordan

Continued from page 1 tragedy" – was reflected in an editorial in yesterday's Jordan

Commenting on the implications of the visit, whose security risks have been played down by the controlled Jordanian media, the paper said: One of the virtues of the British that we have always admired is the ability to snap back from an error and to do right with other people. Thus it is gratifying to see British policy in the Middle East today based on the logical principle of granting the Palestinians the right to national self-determi-nation, despite the fact that in the early years of this century, the British had a conspicuously less glorious history of involve-ment with the Palestinian issue. The concern felt by the

British authorities for the Queen's safety - which appears to have had less psychological effect on the royal couple than on may of those officials responsible for their pro-gramme – is illustrated by the presence in Amman of Deputy Assistant Commissioner Colin Smith, the man selected in 1982 to take overall charge of the Royal Family's security.

NIr Smith does not always accompany the Queen on her frequent trips abroad. But he has played a major role in the plans now in operation for her protection, earning the Fleet Street nickname of the "The Jackal Hunter", because of the ever-present fear that a single sniper may try to score a terrorist coup.

Also never far from the Queen's side is Superintendent Jim Beaton, her personal bodyguard, who was once wounded protecting Princess Anne from attack in Britain. His role in an emergency is The Queen was able to

escape from the oppressive security for a welcome hour yesterday to the relative calm and safety of the national stad, home of some of the most magnificent Arab stallions in the world. Dressed in a matching lime

green hat and coat, and looking relaxed and fascinated by the more than 70 horses on show, the Queen appeared as at home as she is among her own horses in England. Their hostess was Princess

Aliya, aged 28, King Husain's eldest daughter by his first wife, who was educated at Benenden, the English public school attended by Princess Anne, and speaks flawless

Ministers fail again in **Brussels**

Continued from page 1

end of the road and the British cannot expect to keep picking up the negotiations from where they left off."

The Junior Dutch Minister. Mr Wim van Eekelen, said: We are fed up with negotiating with a partner who doesn't want to move. It is an unbelievably harsh attitude of the British and most of the nine are just afraid of being milked further by Britain. He accused Britain of "salami tactics" - trying to get the whole sausage in slices

Sir Geoffrey tried to adopt a much more conciliatory note and carefully avoided blaming any of the other ministers for what had happened. "There is always a sense of regret when the Community fails to reach an agreement on any important question", he said

"Once the agreement is reached there is relief and, in the interim period regret tends to dominate". In his view, the threat by the others to withdraw offers lying on the table was not a real one. "The problems remain. The gaps remain. The gaps have to be bridged and, in the end, the problems will have to be solved".

Sir Geoffrey said he had come to the meeting with a great willingness to respond to the proposals made. The British Government wanted to build on the work done during the summit and he had asked specialists to try to complete texts on the six main outstand ing issues so that they could be adopted by the June summit.

The six items, however, include the British budget problem and therefore Sir Geoffrey's suggestion for a calm approach was not immediately

After a long meeting spanning two days, the agriculture ministers abandoned their attempts to settle this year's farm prices because Ireland could win little but sympathy at the negotiating table. Ireland, which claims it has octor

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an artificially low milk production figure, insists it must be allowed exemption from new proposals aimed at reducing the size of the EEC milk lake.

M Michel Rogard, the French Agriculture Minister, chairing the meeting regarded it as nonsense for Britain to be pressing for more New Zealand butter imports. It was just not logical to allow this until the Community had sorted out its milk problems.

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Today's events

Royal engagements

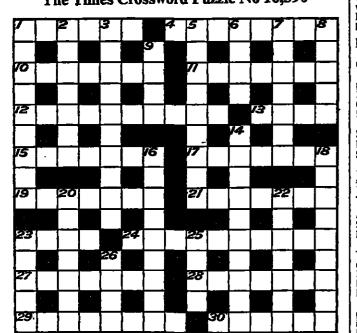
Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother unveils a Memorial to Noel Coward in Westminster Abbey, Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, attends a concert in aid of the Blackie Foundation Trust, St James's Palace, London, 8.

and the Arts (LAMA), at Stationers' Hall, London, 7.

The Duchess of Gloucester opens the Clinical Diagnostic Unit,

The Duke of Gloucester attends a concert given by the Leicestershire Schools Chamber Orchestra in aid of Leicestershire's Appeal for Music

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,390



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4 Mine after a month about worn out (8). 10 One Italian girl in fine fabric, 3

11 Two blokes translating Homer?
(7).
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21 Insects we need to dunk right in - 16 Swell eating fish - hence extra the drink (7). 23 Boy's optical aid (4).
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bringer of many ills (7).

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Solution to No 16,385



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2 Most of the book of words in a manner of speaking (7).

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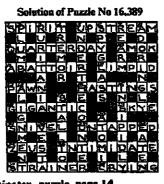
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28 Criticize old war-time measure, bringer of many ills (7).

29 Something plaguey without end in the maths line (5).

Holmes's problem with the Reds 26 No confused type of painter (4).



Explanation of Eliminator puzzle, page 14

Kidderminster Hospital, 11.35; and

later visits Brintons Limited, Exchange Street, 12.25, Worcester-The Duchess of Kent, as an

Honorary Freewoman, attends the Charities Luncheon of the Cloth-workers' Company at Clothworkers' Hall, Dunster Court, Mincing Lane,

Music

Concert by Northern Sinfonia, St. Cuthbert's, Carlisle, 7.30. Concert by Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, with Wilfred Boeticher and Konstanty Kulka, Colston Hall, Colston Street, Bristol, 7.30.

Organ concert by Fox's Keyboard Society with Peter Hayward, Memorial Hall, Barkers Pool, Sheffield, 7.30.

Piano recital by Leslie Riskowitz, Rhyl Music Club, Rhyl Town Hall,

Talks, lectures

A Heritage in the Present Royal Scottish Museum, Chambers Street,

Edinburgh, 2.

Being a Christian today, by Roger
Taylor, St. Ann's Church, Magchester, 1.20. International Garden
Festival 84, by Lord Aberconway,
Free Trade Hall, Peters Street,
Manchester, 1.30.

Licensed Anarchy - some problems of informal transactions in land, by Prof. Graham Battersby Newton Lecture Theatre, Newton Building, Trent Polytechnic, Burton Street. Nottingham, 2.15.

Exhibitions in progress ...

Given to the Museum: an exhibition of gifts to the Banbury Museum. 8. Horsefair, Banbury: from Wed and Sat 10 to 4, closed Tues. Thurs, Fri and Sun (until 30 April) or Mon to Sat 10 to 5 (from May 1) closed Sun (ends May 14).

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Rates Bill completion of remaining stages. Lords (230): Debate on White Paper on training for jobs.

Sheep dips

The Ministry of Agriculture has announced details of its sheep scab eradication programme. Two compulsory dipping periods will apply throughout Britain, the first between July 15 and August 11, the second from September 23 to November 3. An assurance is given that at the end of the summer period, individual extensions will be considered for the undisturbed portion of flocks on the open fell, Mr David Lloyd, Chairman of the Animal Health Committee of the National Farmers' Union of England and Wales, commented: "I cannot urge too strongly the importance of all flock-owners dipping properly and in accordance with the requirements. Otherwise, we will never stamp out this disease."

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New books - hardback

Arnold Schoenber and Wassily Kendinsky, letters, pictures, and documents, edited by Jelena Hahl-Kock, translated by John C. Crawford (Faber, £20, paperback £9.95). Elizabeth Bishop, The Collected Prose, edited and introduced by Robert Giroux

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Enderby's Dark Lady, by Anthony Burgess (Hutchinson, £7.95).
English Journey, or The Road to Milton Keynes, by Beryl Bainbridge (Duckworth/BBC, £7.95).
F. Scott Fitzgerald, by Andre Le Vot, translated by William Byron (Alien Lane, £14.95).
Republicans and Imperialists, Anglo-Irish Relations in the 1930s, by Deidre McMahon (Yale, £20).
Sauf Bellow and History, by Judie Newman (Macmillan, £20).
Sociuse Mouse or I Never Got Over It, an autobiography by George Meily (Weiderfield & Nicolson, £8.95).
The Camonille Lawn, a novel, by Mary Wesley (Macmillan, £8.95).
Wellington's War, His Peninsular Dispatches presented by Julian Rathbone (Michael Joseph, £15).

The papers

The Daily Star, commenting on

the Intoximeter controversy, says that it is clearly vital that motorists

suspected of being drunk are only prosecuted when there is no

question about the level of alcohol

in their blood. At the moment police refuse to allow blood tests

except in marginal cases. "But why

on earth has the Home Office

on earth has the "trial" period will only start on April 19." it asks. "What will happen to the motorists tested by the machine between now and then? Must they - and we - just

accept the readings of a machine in

which there is now an official lack of confidence? Blood tests should be

available immediately to anyone given an Intoximeter test." Like a middle-aged, balding

trendy desperate to get with it. British Telecom is contemplating

getting a new voice for its speaking clock, the Daily Mirror says. "No

matter that the present voice does the job perfectly. British Telecom means to be different, even if different means worse. The same

kind of reasoning made it change its

name, gave all its vans a new colour,

put a rash of blue dots on everything

t owned and tempted it to paint its

phone boxes yellow. Those whom Mrs Thatcher would privatize first

In the past few days the coal

strike has taken on an entirely new dimension, the Daily Express comments. The grim fact is that

the law-breakers are winning, democracy and legality are being

defeated, despite yesterday's call by nine members of the NUM

executive for a ballot. That is the blunt truth Mrs Thatcher and Mr

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Spain. 1515: Johann Comenius,

educational reformer. Nivnice. Czechoslovakia 1592: Thomas

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Heymans, physiologist. Nobel laur-cate 1938. Cihent, Belgium, 1892.

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Anniversaries

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Roads

Midlands and East Anglia: A10: Traffic signals along St Mary's Street, Ely, Cambridgeshire, M1: Contraflow between junctions 16 (Northampton) and 18 (Rugby). A6: Temporary signals at Matlock Bath. Wales and West: A30: Temporary lights at tunnel bridges. Salisbury and at Winterslow, on Salisbury and at Winterslow, on

Salisbury to Stockbridge Road, Wiltshire, A381/A385: Temporary wittshire. A361/A365: Temporary traffic lights at Brutus Bridge, Bridgetown Hill. Totnes. A470: Builth Wells-Llyswen 24-hr temporary traffic signals on road at

North: A41: Kerbing and footpath work at Christleton Mill and Great Boughton, Chester, A54: Drainage work between A49 and Winsford traffic lights A635; Single lane traffic and temporary lights at Wilthorpe, Gawber. Barnsley, temporary lights.

Scotland: Width restriction in Dumbarton Road. Glasgow, between Church Street and America

Dumbarton Road, Glasgow, between Church Street and Argyle Street, A77: Northbound carriage-way closed south of Mearns Cross, Newton Mearns, Renfrewshire, two-way traffic on southbound. One lane only each wayin West Approach Road at Grove Street Bridge, Edinburgh.
Information supplied by AA.

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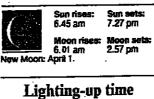
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Outbook for tomorrow and Friday-Showers and sunny intervals; rather cold; frost and fog patches at night.

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SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Strait of Dover: Wind NW, strong becoming cyclonic moderate or fresh, sea rough cyclonic moderate or rest, sea roogii becoming slight or moderate. English Channel (El: Wind variable light or moderate becoming NW locally fresh. Sea slight or moderate. St. Georges's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind variable light, sea smooth.



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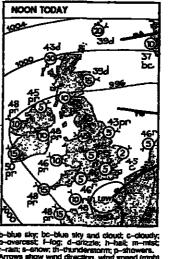
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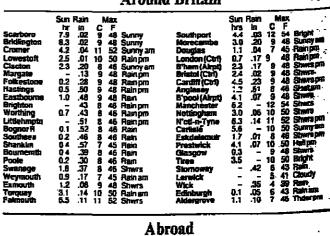
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